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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Judge Ward Hunt was today confirmed by the Senate as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, in place of Justice Nelson, retired. Justice Hunt will not, probably, assume his office till after the holiday recess. The Commission of Appeals of the State of New-York, of which he is a member, meets early in January, after a recess of about two months, and during this recess Justice Hunt has been preparing several opinions of the Commission on cases heard at its last session. If he were to resign immediately, this work would all have to be gone over again, and his labor upon the opinions would be lost. It is expected that he will meet with the Commission at its next session, and deliver these opinions, and will then immediately resign and qualify for his duties on the Supreme Bench.

THE LEGISLATIVE CONTEST IN ALABAMA.

Ex-Gov. Smith, Chairman of the delegation from the Republican wing of the Alabama Legislature, leaves to-night for Montgomery. He carries with him the suggestion of compromise made by the Attorney-General. It is supposed that the compromise is of a nature which will, if accepted, restore the majority of the Legislature to the Republicans. Several leading members of Congress, who have examined the printed memorial of the Republican wing, state that the whole action of the Democratic faction is an impudent attempt to steal a Republican Legislature. Among those who have thus expressed opinions are Messrs. Blaine, Dawes, Butler, and Senator Wilson.

THE VIENNA EXPOSITION.

Gen. Thos. B. Van Buren, Commissioner General of the Vienna Expedition, is in this city to look after the proposed financial aid to American interests in connection with that event. It is proposed to ask of Congress an appropriation of $200,000 in order to secure a proper representation of the industries and institutions of this country at the exposition. There is believed to be a favorable sentiment toward this appropriation, provided the assurance be given of the full protection of the rights of American inventors in the Austrian Empire.

THE INDIAN BILL PASSED BY THE HOUSE.

The House finished and passed the Indian bill today. The vote on the passage was 111 to 45, very nearly a party vote, all the nays being Democrats and nearly all the yeas Republicans. The bill carries out in its provisions and appropriations the humane policy of the President. The Democracy recognized that fact, and such of them as dared put themselves on record against it.

THE CREDIT MOBILIER INVESTIGATION.

The Credit Mobilier Investigation Committee will hold its first session to-morrow morning. The only witnesses thus far summoned are Col. E. A. McComb and ex-Congressman John B. Alley. It is understood the latter is summoned at the request of Hon. Oakes Ames.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS.

Three Mexican gentlemen, Friar Le Vega, Antonio Vega, and Col. Edouardo Leder, have arrived here to confer with the Mexican Minister upon Mexican affairs, and to attend to some private interests. They affirm that the Mexican Congress, before the close of its present session, will agree to the proposed extension of the life of the Mexican-American Commission for two years. They say of Rosecrans' railroad scheme, that it is in a flourishing condition, has a subsidy of $12,000 per mile, and will be rapidly pushed to its completion. They represent that the new President of Mexico is firmly established in power, and that he has the confidence and faithful army of 25,000 men, with which he could speedily suppress insurrection in whatever portion of Mexico it might occur.

THE NAVY BILL.

Secretary Robeson was before the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, this morning, urging the passage of the bill as originally introduced in the House for the construction of ten New-Orleans ships of war, and reduced the number to six. Some members of the Committee appear to favor the original bill.

THE BILL FOR REDUCING THE REVENUE FORCE.

Commissioner Douglass, ex-Commissioner Rollins, Mr. Munn, Mr. Fishback, and other Revenue officials, today gave their views to the Senate Finance Committee concerning the new Internal Revenue Consolidation bill. Secretary Boutwell also sent a letter favoring the bill. It is claimed that the clause in the bill which gives power to the President to make reductions in the number of officers in the future, if necessary, will satisfy those Senators who have been anxious to amend the bill by proposing a further immediate reduction of officers.

FRENCH SPOLIATION CLAIMS.

Several of the most prominent lawyers of the House have given the French spoliation claims careful investigation, in order to satisfy themselves of the merits of those claims. The investigations were made independently of each other, and the gentlemen state that, in their judgment, the claims are without legal or equitable foundation.

THE SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LAND BOUNTY BILL.

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Land Bounty bill came up again in the morning hour of the House today, but did not make much progress. There was a lively discussion and much opposition, and there is apparent a hard road for the bill on its passage. Gen. Hawley, of Connecticut, made a brief speech in opposition, the point of his argument being that the warrants would do the soldiers no good, but would embarrass actual settlers.

GETTING THE PATENTS.

The important work of photo-lithographing and printing the drawings and specifications on file in the Patent Office, which has now gone back some five years, is in danger of soon coming to a stand-still from want of money to prosecute it. The present appropriation will not carry it beyond Christmas, and it will require at least $20,000 to continue it for the present fiscal year. Hardly a day passes without applications for copies of important patents, and under the old system the tracing and copying alone may amount to $10 or $15 on each copy, whereas by the new process of reproduction the same thing can be furnished at a cost of from ten to twenty-five cents. Gen. Leggett has been before the House Committee on Appropriations to explain the urgent necessity for the continuance of this work.

THE HOLIDAY RECESS.

The Senate today concurred in the House resolution fixing the holiday recess to begin on the 21st inst. and end Jan. 6, or, in other words, to adjourn from the 20th to the 21st. When the resolution was first laid before the Senate, Mr. Cole objected to its consideration today, and it had to be laid aside, but later in the day he withdrew his objection. The attempts to shorten the proposed recess were not so well timed as those of a few days ago, and it was noticed that those Senators lying far away were almost the only ones who voted against the recess. The reminders of Mr. Windom that night sessions during the last month of the session would be the penalty of a long recess, were not at all effective against Mr. Cameron's plea for a general jollification at Christmas time.

AGRICULTURAL BUREAU.

Gen. B. F. Bruce, of New-York, a gentleman reported to be an experienced agriculturist and possessed of fine literary attainments, is mentioned for Commissioner of Agriculture at the expiration of the present incumbent's term.

THE SENATE CALENDAR.

The Senate today went forward with its order in reference to the calendar, and completed six pages. Several private bills were passed. The bill reducing the number of internal revenue officers will probably take up the entire session after the morning hour to-morrow.

GUARDING OUR MEXICAN BORDER.

Orders have been sent to Gen. Auger, who commands the Department of Texas, to place more cavalry in the Valley of the Rio Grande, to prevent violation of our territory by bodies of any description from either side of the river, and also to aid the revenue officers, and in the arrest of cattle-thieves.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

CLAIM OF MR. DOUGLASS.

The House Committee on Claims will not act on the report of the Southern Claims Commission until after the holidays, owing to the requisite preliminary labor of classifying and arranging the cases upon which favorable reports have been made by the Commission. The Committee on Claims have recently examined witnesses in relation to the claim of Commissioner Douglass for relief, he having paid a certain amount of money to make good the sum abstracted from his office by his deputy at the time he was Collector of Internal Revenue at Erie, Penn., amounting to about $4,000. The object of the Committee is to determine whether Douglass used due diligence to guard against peculation. The evidence thus far taken is in his favor.

SAN JUAN ISLAND UNDER CIVIL JURISDICTION.

The following telegram was sent, today, by the Secretary of the Treasury to the United States Collector at Port Townsend, Washington Territory: "The Department being notified by the Secretary of State that the British forces have been withdrawn from the Island of San Juan, and that the civil jurisdiction of the Government is to be extended over the island to the east of the Haro Channel, you are directed to treat said island as embraced in your collection district, and to take proper measures to prevent any violation of the Revenue laws therein."

CONFIRMED.

The Senate, in executive session today, confirmed the following nominations: Ward Hunt, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, vice Samuel Nelson, resigned; William E. Dubois, Assayer United States Mint, Philadelphia; Samuel F. Phillips, Solicitor-General of the United States, vice B. H. Bristow, resigned.

Supervisors of Internal Revenue—P. W. Perry, Wm. H. Simmons, Simon T. Powell, Louis M. Foulke, Daniel W. Mann, John M. Hedrick, John McDonald.

Henry A. Newman, Collector of Internal Revenue for Nebraska; Frederick C. Lord, Assessor of Internal Revenue for Nevada; N. B. Judd, Collector of Customs at Chicago; Robert Henschel, Melter and Refiner in the Assay Office at Boise City, Idaho.

Consuls.—Lucius Fairchild, at Liverpool; S. W. Downey, at Fayal; Lorenzo Brentano, at Dresden; Richard Beardsley, to be Agent and Consul-General at Alexandria, vice Geo. H. Butler, suspended.

BILLIARDS.

The Series of Games for the Champion One-Two Days' Play.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—The second series of billiard games for the champion one and other prizes were played yesterday. The first game was between Ned Kendall and J. R. Bullock, and closed with a score of 501 to 395, showing Kendall to be the winner by 105 points. Kendall's average was 25; Bullock's, 16½. Time of game, one hour and ten minutes.

The second game was between Dennison and Wilson. The game was won by Wilson by 36 points. The highest run made by Dennison was 73; Wilson's average was 40; 14; Dennison's 47. Time of game, one hour and thirty five minutes.

In the evening the first game was played by Peck and Kendall, Peck winning the game by 59 points. Peck's average was 29 2-9; Kendall's, 21 15-24. Time of game, one hour and forty-eight minutes.

The second game was between Wilson and Bullock, Wilson winning by 384 points. Wilson's average was 52½; Bullock's, 15¾. This closed the second day.

The third day's games opened this morning. The attendance was good. The first game, between Peck and Dennison, was won by the latter by 216 points. Dennison's highest run, 117; Peck's, 111; Dennison's average, 51¾; Peck's, 30¾. Time of game, one hour and twenty minutes.

An exhibition game of 100 points was played between Miss Beauscaper and Mr. Tobin. The lady played with much skill, and won the game by 31 points.

The second game, between Wilmarth and Bullock, was won by the former. Wilmarth's highest run, 201; Bullock's, 192; Wilmarth's average, 41¾; Bullock's, 35 1-3; time of game, one hour and twenty-five minutes. In the evening, the first game was between Wilson and Peck, and was won by the latter by 222 points. Peck's highest run, 313; Wilson's, 69; Peck's average, 39¾; Wilson's, 17 2-9. The second game was between Kendall and Wilson, and was won by the former by 390 points. Kendall's highest run was 120; Wilson's, 87; Kendall's average, 42 6-7; Wilson's, 15; time of game, one hour and five minutes.

Kansas Horticultural Society—More Weather Signal Stations Wanted.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 11.—A meeting of the State Horticultural Society of Kansas was held at Topeka yesterday. Resolutions were adopted asking the special attention of the Kansas legislators in Congress to that part of the President's Message referring to the retaining or cultivating of one-tenth of every quarter section of the public lands subject to entry in timber. Also, a resolution praying the proper authorities to establish more signal stations in the west and south-west of Kansas, which were necessary to obtain accurate weather probabilities for Kansas and Missouri.

Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Boston and Maine Railroad.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company held in Lawrence today, it was voted to issue six per cent. gold-bearing bonds to an amount not exceeding $1,500,000, payable within twenty years, for the purpose of completing the road to Portland and funding the floating debt. A proposition to lease to Lowell and Andover Railroad was referred to the Directors with authority to act. It was also voted to build or lease a road from Danvers to Salem.

President White stated that the rails of the Boston and Maine Road now connected Boston and Portland, and it was hoped that freight trains would be run over it by the 1st of January. The extension has cost thus far $9,858,254 19, and it can be finished within the sum of $8,000,000. The old Board of Directors was re-elected.

Deliberate Suicide—A Man Decapitated.

LOWELL, Mass., Dec. 11.—Mr. Levi P. Green, aged about forty-five years, and for many years engaged in a clothing establishment in this city, was instantly killed this afternoon by a shifting engine on the Boston and Lowell Railroad, close by the Thorndike-street depot. The engine was backing down, and was just inside the Company's inclosure, when Green was discovered lying with his neck upon the rail. It was too late to stop the engine, which passed on, and decapitated the man.

The Wood Lottery Case—Referred for Decision.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 11.—The case of Benjamin Wood, of New-York, against Murray, Miller & Co., managers of the Missouri State Lottery for thirty-nine and a half shares in the lottery, which has been before the Courts here for two years past, came up again today before Judge Linkley in the Circuit Court. On the argument of all parties, it was referred to Judge Napton for final decision. The hearing of the testimony will occupy several days.

The Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad—Meeting in Favor of its Extension.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Dec. 11.—A public meeting on behalf of the extension of the Portland and Ogdensburg Railroad to this city was held in the Town Hall this afternoon. Judge James presided, and Col. Brigham, President, and ex-Gov. Hendee, Director, of the Lamoille Valley Railroad, made addresses, showing the present condition and future prospect of the road, and expressing a desire to see it extended to this city.

Resolutions in favor of bonding for the amount necessary to complete the extension were adopted, and a committee was appointed to receive subscriptions.

EUROPEAN NEWS.

Growing Desire for the Dissolution of the French Assembly.

Manifesto of the Extreme Left—Debate on the Question Fixed for Saturday—Gale in Paris—Illness of Mrs. Disraeli.

FRANCE.

Appeals for the Dissolution of the Assembly—Strong Sentiment Setting in That Way—Suppression of a Journal.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—A manifesto signed by MM. Gambetta, Cremieux, Louis Blanc, Quinet, and eighty-six members of the Extreme and Moderate Left is published today. It demands a pacific and legal dissolution of the National Assembly as the only means of averting fresh dangers to the country, as the division in the Assembly renders the Government powerless. The address expresses strong disapproval of the pressure now being exerted to bring about disorder, which, as has been hitherto proved, can only result in advantage to the enemies of France. The new elections will constitute a compact majority in the Assembly, securing majorities therein to the Administration of President Thiers, and for the establishment of Republican institutions. The right of petition to the Assembly is claimed to be inviolable, for an attack upon it would be an attack upon the principle of universal suffrage.

The number of petitions for the dissolution of the National Assembly circulating for signatures throughout Paris and the Departments is greatly increasing. The Prefects of several Departments where the movement has assumed formidable proportions, have been summoned to Versailles. The members of the Moderate Left are in favor of the dissolution of the Assembly.

The Duke de Broglie, a Monarchist, has been elected a member of the Committee of Thirty, in place of M. Feurton, who has just been appointed Minister of Public Worship.

The *Egalite*, (newspaper,) of Marseilles, has been suppressed for violating the Press law.

Animated Scene in the Assembly—Debate on Dissolution Fixed for Saturday.

VERSAILLES, Dec. 11.—In the National Assembly today M. Gaslonde expressed the hope that the Assembly would not dissolve before it had secured the complete liberation of French territory.

The Deputies of the Right submitted a proposition assigning Saturday next for the discussion of the petitions for the dissolution of the Assembly.

M. Gambetta thereupon ascended the tribune, and speaking with great fire and decision, supported the proposal. He concluded by saying to the Right, "Your hatred of the Republic and impatience for the discussion equals yours."

The Assembly adopted the motion, and fixed the debate for Saturday, amid profound agitation.

Members of the Left have since expressed regret at their precipitancy, as it is improbable that the Left Centre will support the movement for a dissolution, which can, it is now believed, scarcely obtain 250 votes.

Terrific Gale in Paris on Tuesday.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—This city was visited by a terrible gale yesterday. Several buildings were demolished and others damaged.

GERMANY.

Prince Bismarck to Return to Berlin Soon.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Prince Bismarck will return to Berlin between the 15th and 20th of this month.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Illness of the Wife of Mr. Disraeli.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Viscountess Beaconsfield, wife of Right Hon. Benjamin Disraeli, is seriously ill.

THE TURF.

Programme for the Spring Meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club—General Notes.

The proposition of the Maryland Jockey Club to open the racing campaign of 1873 has met with the general approval of turfmen in this vicinity. The continued increase in the number of thorough-bred foals in this country during the past year, is proportionate to the increased interest taken by the general public in turf affairs, and from the natural course and general fitness of things, a Spring meeting at Baltimore will be a satisfaction to the long desired wish of our racing men. The meeting will be regarded, theoretically, as the first "breeze" that will set the straws for the guidance of the betting men, while practically it will be a series of trials for the great events which are to be decided at Jerome Park, and will probably be the means of nominating the leading candidates for favorable consideration. Mr. Ferguson, the Secretary of the Maryland Jockey Club has sent on the programme for the meeting, and the engineers have skillfully laid their plans to captivate the entire season of the horsemen and enlist the support of the general public. The first day is to be Tuesday, May 27, and will be inaugurated by a hurdle race of two miles over eight hurdles, a Welter welcher purse $400. The Preakness Stakes for three-year olds is to follow. It is a dash of a mile and a half, $60 entrance, play or pay, and $1,000 added, of which $200 to second horse. This stake has been named in honor of Mr. M. H. Sanford, of this City, the liberal patron of the turf, and is to close on Feb. 1. The third race will be a handicap stakes for four-year olds, of $50 each, half forfeit, and only $10 if declared; the Club to add $500, of which $100 to the second horse; mile heats. This is also to close Feb. 1, and the night of the 15th is the nominating day, and declarations to be made before March 1. The fourth race will be a dash of three miles for all ages; purse $700, of which $100 to the second horse. On the second day there will be a dash of a mile and a half for all ages; purse $400—which will be followed by the Chesapeake Stakes, for three-year-old fillies, a mile and a quarter, with the penalty of five pounds extra to the winner of the Preakness Stakes, should the winner of the latter be a filly. The Club is to add $500, of which $100 will be given to the second filly. The entrance is $50, play or pay. The third race will be mile heats, best three in five, for all ages; purse $600, of which $300 will go to the second horse. This will doubtless bring out a large field, that may provoke a stubborn contest. The fourth race will be a dash of two miles and a half for all ages, purse $600, which will be opportunity number two for Col. McDaniel to test his champions. On the third day, we are to have a purse of $600 for three-year olds only, a mile and a quarter, and then the Pimlico Stakes for all ages, two-mile heats, $60 entrance, half forfeit, five or more subscribers to fill, the Club to add $600. This ought to bring out a fine array of horses, and no doubt will. The third event will be a free handicap stake for all ages, $65 each if not declared out, to name and close immediately after the last race on the first day; the Club is to add the liberal sum of $600, and the distance will be a mile and three-quarters. The day's sport is to close with a dash of four miles for all ages, purse $1,000, and perhaps Bassett, if entered, will encounter Monarchist. The fourth and last day will open with a dash of a mile and three-quarters, for all ages, purse $600; to be followed by a handicap purse of $700, for all ages that have run at the meeting; two-mile heats. Then will come a consolation purse of $400, for horses which have run and not won during the meeting—a mile and a half; and the last scene of all in this eventful programme is a grand steeple-chase, open to any horse that may carry 12 pounds weight; about two miles and a half; Club to add the large sum of $1,200, of which $600 will be given to the first, $300 to second, and $100 to third horse. This is indeed a grand inducement for the jumpers, and here ought to be the finest race of the kind ever witnessed on the turf, as the owners of racehorses will enter liberally in the stakes of purses, and insure the success of the initial Spring meeting of the young and vigorous Maryland Jockey Club.

GENERAL NOTES.

Mr. Aristides Welch has determined to breed only mares of the highest lineage to Leamington, and with this purpose in view he has recently purchased the brown mare Lurina, 11 years old, by Gemma de Vergy (son of Sir Hercules, winner of eighteen out of thirty-two races), dam Reparice by Pantaloon; second dam Retort, (sister to Touchstone, winner of the St. Leger in 1834, and the Doncaster cup in 1834 and 1835.)

Richelieu, by Eleventha, out of Fanny McAlister, by O'Meary, has been sold to a company of gentlemen at Huntsville, Ala. Richelieu was foaled in 1865, and won several races in 1868 and 1869. He is a half-brother to the fine race-horse Magazine, who won the Saratoga Cup in 1867, in the wonderful time of 4:32, carrying 114 pounds, ten pounds more than Eclipse carried.

Tom Bowling, one of the most promising candidates for the great three-year-old events next year, is down with the epizootic very severely, and his owner, the genial McCrack, trembles for the consequences. It is to be hoped that the colt will speedily recover.

The grey trotting-horse Crown Prince has passed into the hands of George H. Ferguson. The price paid is stated to be $12,000.

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11—1 A. M.—The pressure has diminished in the North-west and over the upper lakes, with southerly winds, low temperatures, and cloudy weather in the region southward, and Illinois and Missouri from the Ohio River to the Gulf and South Atlantic coasts; low temperatures, increasing pressures and northerly winds, with clearing weather, except on the South Atlantic, where light rain is falling; over the lower lake region and the St. Lawrence Valley, northerly to westerly winds, partly cloudy and cold weather, with high barometers; in the Middle and Eastern States, north-westerly to north-easterly winds, and partly cloudy weather, with slightly reduced temperatures, and increased temperatures in the former.

PROBABILITIES.

For the North-west and upper lakes, and thence southward to Missouri and the lower Ohio Valley, southerly winds, cloudy and warm or weather, with falling barometers; from the Ohio River to the Gulf, clear, cold weather and northerly winds, veering on Thursday, to southerly, with high barometers; for the lower lakes and Canada generally, clear weather, north-westerly winds, backing to south-westerly, with low but increasing temperatures and diminishing pressures; for the Middle and New-England, northerly to north-easterly winds, high but decreasing pressures, increasing temperatures, and partly cloudy weather, with occasional snow on the seaboard. After the 15th inst. the display of cautionary signals will be suspended as the late period for the Winter.

City Meteorological Report.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature yesterday, with the average for the same, as indicated by the thermometer at Dickinson's drug-store, No. 5 Park-row: 3 A. M., 22°; 6 A. M., 22°; 9 A. M., 23½°; 12 M., 23½°; 3 P. M., 23°; 6 P. M., 23½°; 12 P. M., 25°. Average temperature yesterday, 23⅝°.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Hon. John Tyler, Jr., is a candidate for the United States Senate from Florida.

The schooner William Tree, of Bristol, Penn., is ashore on Point Judith, R. I.

Solicitor-General Phillips arrived in Washington yesterday, and assumed his official duties.

Commander A. T. Mahan has been ordered to the command of the Wasp, on the South Atlantic Station.

The steamer Fideleter sailed from San Francisco, yesterday, to the assistance of the steamer Sacramento.

William Donovan, who was sentenced to be executed on Friday, at San Francisco, has been granted a reprieve of two weeks.

Minnie Myrtle Miller, wife of Joaquin Miller, has left San Francisco to fill lecture engagements in the East.

The schooner Addie Fuller, of Rockland, from Baltimore for Savannah, is reported ashore on Cape Henry.

The horse disease is still spreading in St. Louis. There were sixty deaths from it there yesterday.

An anonymous New-Yorker contributed $450 to the conscience fund, yesterday, for sums on wearing apparel.

Thomas Saul, a butcher, residing in Peabody, Mass., was run over and killed by the Salem train Tuesday evening.

Information has reached Chicago that S. Winslow, the defaulting President of the Scandinavian National Bank, is in China.

Three-fourths of the horses at Yankton, Dakota, have the epizootic, and one stage per week is run to Fort Randall with oxen.

By direction of the President the headquarters of the Military Division of the Atlantic is transferred from Philadelphia to New-York City.

By the falling of a scaffold at the new Turner Hall, North Clark-street, Chicago, yesterday, three men were precipitated forty feet; one of them received fatal injuries.

John Leonard, an employe in the chemical works at the foot of First-street, Jersey City, fell into a vat of boiling water, and was so badly scalded as to render his recovery improbable.

A cotton mill at Greenville, Conn., owned by the Greenville Water-power Company, and occupied by Paul B. Greene, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, $6,000; insurance, $3,500.

The Board of Supervisors of Onondaga County, New-York, after an exciting discussion, resolved, yesterday, not to levy a tax of three mills and a half for deficiency.

The Erie Railway freight and passenger depot, at Union, one mile from Binghamton, N. Y., was burned last night. The fire was caused by a spark from a locomotive.

Parson & Co.'s wharf, at East Gloucester, Mass., caved in Tuesday, carrying about 10,000 hogsheads of Cadiz salt, valued at $20,000. The wharf was damaged to the extent of $10,000.

The Buffalo, New-York and Philadelphia Railway will be opened for travel and freight to its terminus, Emporium, Penn., on the 1st of January. The present terminus is Allegheny, Penn.

The concluding game of the match between the towns of Springfield and Hartford for the chess championship of New-England resulted, last night, in the victory of Hartford on the forty-first move.

The Phœnix Flouring-mills, of Kansas City, which were burned a day or two ago, were insured as follows: Ætna, $6,000; North British, $3,500; Hartford, of Hartford, $3,500, and $7,000 in local companies.

The Commercial Convention met at St. Louis, yesterday, R. M. Bishop, President. Mayor Brown delivered a brief welcoming address, and the usual committees were appointed. Fifteen States are represented.

Alexander Donaldson, George Beatty, and a man named Kelley, laborers on the Albany and Susquehanna Railroad, were killed by the caving in of a gravel bank, at Osborn Hollow, yesterday.

An election for member of the present Congress in the Thirteenth District of Pennsylvania is to be held Dec. 24, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Ulysses S. Mercur.

The Superintendent of the mounted recruiting service has been directed to prepare and forward all disposable white recruits to Omaha, Nebraska, for assignment to the Second Cavalry in the Department of the Platte.

The trial of Gen. David L. Stanton, formerly Collector of Internal Revenue, for the Fifth District of Maryland, for the embezzlement of public money, began in the United States District Court, at Baltimore, yesterday.

The balances in the Treasury at the close of business today were: Currency, $5,720,150; coin, $69,998,739; coin certificates, $30,095,500; special deposits of legal tenders for redemption of certificates of deposit, $26,010,000.

Aaron Anderstast, a laborer, fell off the roof of the new Rogers locomotive shops, at Paterson, N. J., yesterday, and was fatally injured. This is the fifth accident of the kind at the same shop within the last month.

A Mrs. Durfee, an old lady residing in Middletown, R. I., was burned to death on Tuesday. Her clothes caught as she was engaged in kindling a fire, and before the flames could be subdued she was fatally burned.

At the charter election in Ogdensburg, N. Y., Tuesday, William L. Proctor, Republican, was elected Mayor by four majority. The whole Republican ticket for Aldermen and Supervisors, and two of the three Assessors were elected.

The Secretary of State of Arkansas has made his abstract of the returns on file in his office, and says, with the exception of Congressman at large, the entire Republican ticket has been elected by majorities ranging from 300 to over 3,000.

The Transportation Committee of the Board of Trade of Cincinnati passed a resolution yesterday to invite a Convention of the general freight agents of the United States to meet in that city, or at some other central point, to act in the matter of securing better scaling of railroad freights.

THE RECENT GALES.

Disasters on Oceans, Lakes, and Rivers.

Schooners Wrecked on the East Coast—Ice in the Hudson—The Steamer Sacramento—A Light-House Blown Down—Loss of Life.

Heavy Weather on the East Coast—A Number of Vessels Driven Ashore.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 11.—The recent gale has been even more severe along the coast than the one of last week, and an unusually large number of vessels have put into this port for a harbor. The United States revenue-cutter Mocassin arrived here this afternoon, and Capt. Ritchie reports that the British brig Arthur Leaks, Capt. Rime, from Philadelphia, for Yarmouth, N. S., loaded with coal, flour, and beef, went ashore in the gale early this morning on West Chop, Vineyard Haven. Capt. Rime has contracted with a wrecking company to get the vessel off, although it will be a hard task, as she is hard aground. The schooner New Regulus, Capt. Hallock, from Providence, for New-York, in ballast, during the gale parted her chains and went ashore on Dutch Island. She will be got off without much loss. Schooner Richard Vaugh, from Philadelphia, for Boston, loaded with coal, has arrived with loss of main boom and split mainsail. She reports unusually boisterous weather. Brig Meteor, from Havana, for Boston, loaded with sugar, has also arrived, and reports a very rough passage. Schooner William Tieco, loaded with coal for the Old Colony Railroad Company, went ashore early this morning at Point Judith. As soon as the cutter arrived, Capt. Ritchie was informed of the disaster, and the Mocassin was ordered out to her at 1 this hour (8 P. M.) has just left port to render what assistance he can. He will make an attempt to haul her off at high water.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 11—10½ P. M.—The Mocassin has just arrived, and Capt. Ritchie notifies the Tribune and Herald that assistance to the schooner William Tieco, reported in a previous dispatch ashore at Point Judith. The vessel is from Philadelphia, and is loaded with 400 tons of coal. At 4 o'clock this morning she struck a rock and immediately broached to and went ashore, and sank in less than an hour. Water is now up to her main deck. The Captain will commence to strip her in the morning. He has notified his owners and consignees.

The Stranding of the Steamer Sacramento—History of the Vessel—A Series of Disasters.

A dispatch from San Francisco states that the steamer Fideleter has been chartered, and sailed from that port yesterday to the assistance of the Pacific Mail steamer Sacramento, ashore off San Antonio.

The Sacramento was a wooden steamer of 2,647 tons, old measurement, and was built by Webb & Bell, at Greenpoint, Long Island, in 1863, and was of the following dimensions: Length, 277 feet; 41 feet beam, and 24 feet depth of hold, and three decks. Her machinery was built at the Novelty Iron-works, in this City, and consisted of one cylinder 108 inches in diameter and 12 feet stroke of piston, and built from designs and superintended by W. W. Vanderbilt. She was a first-class vessel in every respect, and when completed she was heavily armed for a merchant vessel, and sent out to the Pacific Ocean. In October, 1870, she was thoroughly overhauled, and was in splendid condition at the time of the accident. She was valued by the Company at $600,000, being, with one exception, the most valuable boat they had on that route. Her cargo was valued at $300,000, so that the total of the loss is not far from $1,300,000.

From the accounts of the disaster received at this time, it would seem that no lives were lost, although the vessel went on a bad reef off San Antonio, which is situated about 190 miles below San Diego. The fact of the passengers being saved is due probably to the ample provisions the Sacramento had in the shape of life-saving apparatus, viz.: ten life-boats, large life-rafts, and life-preservers for nearly a thousand passengers. The accident was of such a character that there was ample time for the officers to have the landing of the passengers made without confusion and in such numbers as would insure safety to those in each boat.

This accident is the sixth occurring to the Company's steamers within a few months. These are as follows: Granville, (chartered,) burned at sea; America, burned at anchor in Japan; Arizona, broke main-rod and towed into San Francisco; Orizaba, machinery broken, and she is now being searched for; Sacramento, stranded and lost; and Guatemala, stranded and lost. Thus, two have been burned, two stranded, and two have broken down at sea. These facts bear strongly against the Company, yet it is stated that there is none who endeavor to keep their ships in better condition than the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company. There seems to be a fatality among American steam vessels this year. In the aggregate, all the losses among this class of vessels is larger among British vessels than of any country in the world.

Lacking details as to the cause of the stranding of the Sacramento, except that she went ashore in a fog, it is the general impression among those conversant with the west coast of America that the shifting of the run of the regular currents has had something to do with the accident. Then the charts of the west coast of America are full of errors, but probably the most important ones are on the coast line of Lower California and Gulf of Mexico. The western coasts are laid down too far to the eastward, and the southern coasts too far to the northward. Off San Jose de Guatemal no reliance can be placed on the set of the currents; sometimes it will run west for three days, and then east for the same length of time. It is probable, however, that the set of the tide is more to the eastward. The most decided current along the track of the Pacific Mail steamers on this route is off Point Gelones; this runs with much velocity to the north-west at all seasons, but it is generally conceded that during the Winter months its velocity is increased. Along the coast of Mexico northerly winds prevail at this season with regular land and sea breezes, close in shore, northerly at night, and south-west in the afternoon.

San Diego is one of the last ports of call on the route from San Francisco to Panama. It probably will be some days before full details are received of this last disaster to an ocean-going steamer.

Another Steamer Sent to the Aid of the Sacramento.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 11.—The steamer Fideleter has been sent to aid the steam-ship Sacramento. She has taken extra boats, cables, anchors, and wrecking apparatus. Capt. Cox is in command, and will probably reach the wreck by Thursday.

Up the Hudson—The Ice Closing in—Navigation Stopped.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 11.—The weather here is very cold, and river navigation is closed. No boats have come up from New-York to-night. There is much ice in the river all along below this city. In some places it is strong enough to bear the weight of a man.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Dec. 11.—A dispatch from Castleton says the river there is firmly closed, the ice being four inches thick. No boats are caught.

FREEHILL, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Extraordinary low water still prevails. The steam-ship Magnet is aground in Peekskill-Bay, and between here and Croton three sail-vessels are ashore. Heavy masses of ice are visible this morning as far south from Albany as Newburg Bay. The propeller Corning tried to get to Albany yesterday afternoon, but had to put back. The wind is rising again, and blowing from the north-west.

KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Navigation from this point has closed. The steamer Thomas Cornell has gone into Winter quarters here. The steamer James W. Baldwin made her last down trip last night, and now is laid up at New-York. The ice in the river here is from two to four inches thick, and the ferry-boat finds much difficulty in crossing. The intense cold prevailing to-night will increase the thickness of the ice and probably totally close the river from this point several miles south.

The Maine Rivers Ice-Bound—Crossing on the Ice.

BATH, Me., Dec. 11.—The Upper Kennebec is now closed by ice, and navigation above this city has been suspended for the season. The people are crossing on the ice at Richmond today. The Back River is also closed. This morning the mercury was 12° below zero.

Snow in Virginia.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 11.—About three inches of snow fell here this afternoon, and still continues falling.

Snow-Storm in Georgia.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 11.—Three to four inches of snow fell here last night, being the heaviest fall in this section for many years. The sight presented today in the city and country was both novel and interesting.

Further Particulars of the Destruction of the Tow of the Steamer Norwich.

From a Special Correspondent.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1872.

Further details are furnished of the hurricane on the Hudson River, on Monday night and Tuesday. The disaster to the tow of the steamer Norwich was the principal damage that occurred. The steamer had twenty-eight coal-boats and two barges, loaded, in tow. The gale struck her off Cold Spring, or just above that place. There is a deep gorge in the mountains on the west shore, near that point, and, when the wind is north-west, the river there becomes dangerous. When the wind struck the tow of the steamer, the main hawser snapped asunder, and all the coal-boats were at once scattered in every direction. Some of them drifted down the river, between West Point and Magazine Point, the waves making a clean breach over them, and they rapidly filled and went down. Some of them sunk farther north, near the flats, on the east shore. Altogether twenty-six, instead of twenty-eight, as previously stated, went down.

The Norwich dropped down to West Point dock and laid there till daylight, when she steamed up the river again to a point on the west shore, near Cold Spring, where she laid with the two barges till 6 A. M. and then proceeded to Newburg. When the reports first came in, it was thought that a number of lives must have been lost, but such was not the case. These coal-boats never have men on board of them when under way. Those who care for them tow alongside of them in a sort of scow, called a "chunker." The "chunker" of this tow was blown ashore and all hands saved.

The steam-boat Ontario, with eighteen boats in tow was still hard aground at Fort Montgomery at 8 o'clock this morning. She was blown there by the gale, in consequence of an accident to her machinery, which prevented her from moving her wheels. It is thought she and her boats will be got off before night, as a tug has gone to her assistance. The boats are loaded with flour, grain, lumber, potatoes, and other freight. Two barges are loaded with new street-cars.

Reports from up the river show that the ferries at Rhinebeck, Saugerties, and Catskill are still open, though the boats find great difficulty in passing from shore to shore. Navigation to Albany is certainly closed, and as a consequence immense loads of freight are coming down the Hudson River Railroad. The weather is moderating.

A Disaster on Anticosta Island—A Light-House Destroyed and an Entire Family Killed.

From Our Own Correspondent.

GASPE BAY, Quebec, Friday, Dec. 6, 1872.

The Jane Merriman, a fishing schooner, reached here last night from Cape Whittle, Labrador, having touched at East Cape, on the Island of Anticosta, during a violent storm which prevailed near that coast on Nov. 26. The Jane Merriman lost the most useful portion of her forward rigging, and her mainmast was badly sprung. On reaching East Cape she was safely harbored. The few families who inhabit that desolate island were found by Capt. Hay, of the schooner, to be in a state of utter consternation, owing to a terrible disaster which had taken place on the previous night. The highest and principal light-house of Anticosta had been dashed into a heap of ruins by the terrific hurricane which raged on the coast. Not even the wall near the base of the pile was left. All was destroyed, and nothing was left of the tall and solitary pile but a huge heap of bricks, stones, iron-work, and mortar. Hard by the ill-fated light-house stood a snug dwelling, the home of one Edmund Barter and his family, consisting of a wife and six children. The once snug dwelling was all but be complete a ruin as the light-house; and of Edmund Barter, and his wife and six children, eight bruised and almost irrecognizable corpses were all that were left. The few remaining inhabitants of East Cape seemed, by their tenderness toward and sorrow for the

THE LATEST TRAGEDY.

Maude Merrill's Murderer in Custody of the Police.

His Version of the Story to a "Times" Reporter—A Remarkable Case of Vice and its Consequences.

Since the days of the Helen Jewett murder, which, from the atrocity and mystery of the crime, New-York was horror-stricken, every occasion in which an unfortunate woman has met a violent death excites no little degree of public comment. Jerry O'Brien's murder of Kate Smith, the Vasques tragedy, in Crosby-street, and the murder and suicide committed by George Bauman, in Elizabeth-street, set the public mind in a ferment of excitement for days. The brutal murder of the unfortunate girl known as Maude Merrill, alias Mary Anne Smith, in the house No. 10 Neilson-place, on Tuesday night, bids fair, from the circumstances connected with it, to outrival its predecessors, not alone from the fact that the murderer of the girl is her uncle, but from other circumstances not yet revealed by the officers of justice. It will be remembered that on Tuesday afternoon a mysterious person rang the bell of Coroner's house, of which Maude Merrill was an inmate, and asked if she was within. He was answered "Yes," and proceeded to the room on the third floor where she was. Soon after three shots were heard, and the man coming down stairs, told the housekeeper, Mary Ann Allison, that he had shot and killed his neice, and was going to surrender himself. The girl was found dead in her room, having been shot through the heart. Capt. Byrnes, of the Fifteenth Precinct, assumed possession of the letters and papers in the girl's trunk, and at once started in pursuit of the murderer, who had escaped from the house. After making investigation in two houses of ill-fame up-town, where the girl had previously been living, Capt. Byrnes found that the same man had visited the girl there, but was unknown, as far as his name and residence were concerned. The clue to the murderer was found in the letters. From these Capt. Byrnes learned that the uncle's name was Bleakley, and that he resided in Brooklyn. Sergts. Holbrow and Carpenter were at once sent to Brooklyn, with officers in citizens' clothes, to hunt down the assassin. Sergt. Carpenter finally found Bleakley's boarding-house, at No. 365 Gold-street, to learn that Bleakley left there at 6¼ o'clock in the evening. Sergt. Carpenter, however, found the murdered girl's younger sister, Charlotte Smith, seventeen years old, and sent her in charge of an officer to Police Head-quarters. Later in the night Sergt. Carpenter discovered a fellow-boarder of Bleakley's, named Ernest Timmons, with whom Bleakley had made an appointment to meet at the Navy-yard at 6 o'clock. Fearing that Timmons might warn Bleakley of the pursuit by the Police, Sergt. Carpenter arrested Timmons, and, sending him to this City, had him locked up in the Mercer-street Station. In the mean time, as Lottie Smith had stated that Bleakley intended going to California, Capt. Byrnes proceeded to the steamer Henry S. Chauncey, which was to sail for San Francisco yesterday, and searched the vessel without success. At 9½ o'clock yesterday morning, Capt. Smith, of the First Precinct, Brooklyn, telegraphed for Capt. Byrnes. On proceeding to Brooklyn, Capt. Byrnes found that Bleakley had surrendered himself to Capt. Smith, at the Washington-street Station, to Capt. Smith, with whom he was acquainted. Capt. Smith stated that Bleakley came into the station-house about 9 o'clock, and asked for a glass of water, saying he was very thirsty. He then said, "Captain, I want to give myself up. I am the man who shot that girl in New-York yesterday." He was at once locked up. A carriage was procured, and Capt. Smith, Capt. Byrnes, and the prisoner drove to Police Head-quarters in this City, where he was formally examined before Superintendent Kelso, and surrendered to Capt. Byrnes. He was then taken to Police-Headquarters Station, and identified by the housekeeper at No. 10 Neilson-place as the man who came down the stairs. Capt. Byrnes then confronted him with Lottie Smith, the murdered girl's sister, and said, "Is this man your sister's uncle?" The girl answered, "Yes; he is my mother's brother."

Bleakley is a man thirty-six years old, of medium stature, with prominent features, high forehead, rather bald head, and wearing a heavy brown mustache. There is the scar of a large sabre cut on his forehead, received during the late war, and the first two fingers of his right hand are gone. He made the following statement to a TIMES reporter:

My name is Robert F. Bleakley. I am thirty-six years of age, and a block-maker by trade, and my residence is at No. 365 Gold-street, Brooklyn. I am the uncle of the girl that is dead; her mother was my sister. The reason of what ended last night go back a good many years. I begin by saying that I have been in this country for twenty-two years. My father and mother were both dead, and I was sent over by my uncle. In 1861 I received news that my sister, Mrs. Smith, the mother of this girl, was being abused by her husband. She had sixteen children. The quarrel between them was a religious one. She being a Protestant and he being a Catholic, one-half of their children were reared one way and the remainder brought up the other way. She wrote to me, asking me to go to Ireland and bring her to this country. I went to Ireland in 1862, and found her sick and unable to come. I wrote to her to come to this country without her. From 1862 to 1869 I received many letters from her, all complaining of bad treatment. I went to Ireland in 1869. She, having all of her children, had been badly beaten by her husband. She asked me to take her younger daughter, Charlotte or Lottie, to this country, and I did. I left her in Brooklyn and then went to California. I then found that I had $12 to my sister to pay her passage to this country, but instead of coming herself she sent her eldest daughter, the girl that is dead. The first I knew of her arrival was from a letter she wrote me. I received two, one addressed to Mary Anne, asking me to return from San Francisco and protect them. I did. Both had procured situations, and Mary Anne was living in the house of Mr. Mr. Williams, Pastor of the Bethel Independent Church, in High-street. One day she came to my boarding-house, Mrs. Beebe's, in Canton-street, near Flushing-avenue, and said she had left her situation, and that the Williams family had detected her familiarities with her. She had only been in Mr. Williams' house two weeks, and I was loth to believe in the charge the made, so I thought I would try and find what way she had behaved in the houses where she had been at service before living in Mr. Williams'. A friend of mine, Mr. William Wallace, gave her a room in his house until his wife could find her a situation. While she was there she so badly that Mrs. Wallace refused to procure a situation for her. She then got a place in the house of Mrs. Hall, in Pearl-street, Brooklyn, pretending she had just arrived from Ireland, and had a letter of recommendation. In the meantime, I had written about her to Rev. Mr. Myers, of Montague-street, Brooklyn, in whose service she had been before entering Mr. Williams's household. He wrote in reply that she needed close watching, as from her behavior she was likely to disgrace her family. I wrote to Ireland, informing her mother of her conduct, and asked what I should do. The reply was I was going to prosecute Rev. Mr. Williams. I told her I would not, as her character would not stand the test. She told me that I, her mother, and the reverend gentleman, were the only people she leave, and I slapped her face. She left the house, and left her place of work. I did not know what had become of her. I recollected that I had seen her in company with a young man named Griffiths, who lived in canda-street. I dogged him from his place of business to a house of ill-fame in Twenty-sixth-street. I did not go into the house that night, but the next morning, as soon as they would not let me into the house. She told the persons I was not her uncle, but was only a fellow who wanted to be her lover. Two months after I learned she had gone to the house in Twenty-sixth-street. I went there and was admitted. She told me she did not want to see me or any of her relatives any more. She denied having made any remarks about my being a lover, and it was well for her at the time that she had not." (Bleakley said this with an accent signifying that he would have killed the girl then. He said, continuing:) "I asked her to give up her mode of life and respect her mother's ashes, for I had heard of her mother's death in Ireland. She answered me in a way that gave me some hope. I saw her twenty times, and promised to amend. I next saw her in Tenth-street. Three weeks ago her sister Lottie told me that Mary Anne had bought a pistol to shoot me with, saying if she did it that it is she that would be hanged. I went there prepared. I was determined to see her, it is cost me my life. In return for going to her, I was greeted with the abuse and slang common among her class. What followed you must not expect me to tell."

But Bleakley had already told what he objected to repeat. While on the carriage driving from Brooklyn to this City, Capt. Byrnes said: "Mr. Bleakley, this is a sad affair; how many shots did you fire at her?" Bleakley replied, "I'm blamed if I know, Captain; the first one I fired was when I was standing near the door; then I ran over to the door, and fired again and again." Capt. Byrnes said: "Was she lying down when you fired at her near the door?" Bleakley replied, "I don't think she was; but she was bent over." The pistol found in Bleakley's possession, and the one with which the murder was committed, is a National revolver, having six chambers, and throwing a heavy ball, about 28-100 calibre. While giving his statement, Bleakley maintained the greatest self-possession. His letters to the murdered girl are in the possession of Capt. Byrnes, who says that some of them are not such as any decent man would write to his niece. Coroner Young, although the case had been completely worked up by the arrest of Bleakley, refused to give these letters to the Press. Justice to the murdered woman rests in a great measure on the letters, and any attempt at suppression of them would give color and strength to a terrible theory entertained by the Police and the reporters who have investigated the case. The statement of Lottie Smith, the murdered girl's sister, is very damaging against Bleakley. The murdered girl never lost her affection for her younger sister, and wrote to her frequently, inviting her to call and see her. Lottie frequently saw her sister. On these occasions, no one being present but the sisters, Mary Anne announced her determination of leaving her mode of life, and always treated her younger sister with the kindest and most careful consideration. Lottie received a letter from her sister, asking her to come to Mrs. Coroner's, at 3 o'clock, on Tuesday. She was leaving her house in Brooklyn, when Bleakley asked her where she was going. She said to see Mary Anne. Bleakley, who was drunk, forced her back into the house, saying, "I am going there myself," and his behavior was so boisterous that she feared something wrong. On leaving Mrs. Coroner's house after committing the murder, Bleakley went to his Brooklyn boarding-house. He consumed there usual shortly after 6 o'clock, when, feeling thirsty, he left the house and had a drink in a saloon near by. Then he roamed round the City until 10 o'clock, when he went to the Franklin House and procured a room. He could not sleep, and after an hour went out and walked the streets until he surrendered himself. The murdered girl's mother committed suicide in Cork, Ireland, on the first of October last, after stabbing her husband.

Coroner Young yesterday proceeded to the undertaker's store where the girl's body was lying prepared for burial, and Deputy Coroner Marsh, assisted by Dr. T. R. Steele, made the post-mortem examination. There were three wounds found. The fatal one was on the left side of the chest, two inches above the left nipple. The bullet passed through and shattered the fifth and sixth ribs, passed through the lower border of the left lung, through the heart, and the middle lobe of the right lung, lodging in the right side of the diaphragm, where it was found. The next wound was on the left shoulder, two inches below the acromion process, passing downward, backward, and to the right, where the bullet was found in the muscle. Another ball had entered the right arm five inches above the elbow, and passed out at a point four and a half inches above the bend of the arm. This ball was one of the two which lodged in the wall of the room. All the organs of the body were found in a healthy condition. The murdered girl was very prepossessing in appearance, and it is said was well educated. She was married over a year ago to a man named Thomas Foley, who is now in Texas. Coroner Young will hold the inquest to-morrow afternoon at 1 o'clock.

THE TWEED INDICTMENT.

The Motion to Quash Denied by Judge Ingraham.

Judge Ingraham, sitting in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday, rendered a decision denying the motion, made on behalf of William M. Tweed, to quash the indictment against him. The motion, arguments on which has already appeared in the TIMES, was made on several grounds, some of which went to defects in the indictment itself, and one to irregularities attending the finding of the indictment, on the part of the Grand Jury finding it and the attorneys representing the people. To the latter objection, which was that Mr. Peckham had improperly appeared in the Grand Jury room while evidence was being taken on which to found the indictment, the Judge devotes the greater part of his opinion. After reviewing at length the law, both common and statutory, governing the appearance of counsel for the people, or those representing them, in the Grand Jury room during its proceedings, he holds that the appearance of Mr. Peckham in the Grand Jury room, as complained of on the part of defendant, was contrary to law. On this point he says: My conclusion is that no other officer but the District-Attorney and his Assistant and the Attorney-General, when so required to act by the Governor or Justice, has, under our laws, any right to go before the Grand Jury while in session; and that such act in regard to an indictment found by them at the request of any other person than the District-Attorney (or his assistants, if authorized to act as such in his absence), would affect the regularity of their proceedings. If this motion was in relation to the first finding of an indictment, it ought to be granted. But it appears from the minutes of the Grand Jury that, on the 15th October, the private notes of the Grand Jury in finding the bill of indictment, above referred to, was reconsidered, and a resolution passed to annul all former action in those cases; that five witnesses were examined, and that on that day bills were found anew. It is also in proof that the counsel did not appear before the Grand Jury at that time, but that they were acting under the advice of the District-Attorney. In the absence of any proof of improper influences being addressed to the Grand Jury, and the proof that the counsel did not again appear before the Grand Jury who acted thereon, under the direction and advice of the District-Attorney, I do not think there is any sufficient ground connected with this branch of the case on which the motion can be granted.

On the objection that the indictment was not read to the Grand Jury, the Judge holds that there is no proof to sustain it, except the inference to be drawn from the length of the indictment and the time within which it was found; and, even if the objection were true, it was nothing unusual for the Grand Jury to order an indictment, leaving it to the District-Attorney to formally draw it up subsequently.

The objection that the indictment was found without evidence he holds to be unsustained by the affidavit submitted, even if the District-Attorney was at liberty to offer opposing testimony.

The remaining objections, which are purely technical and relate to the form of the indictment, are all overruled, the Judge concluding: I have fully examined all the objections made by the defendant's counsel, and I find nothing that will justify the Court in granting the motion. It must, therefore, be denied."

Monday is fixed for Tweed to plead to the indictment, or interpose a plea in abatement.

The Jumel Case.

The examination of George Washington Bowen, the claimant, was continued yesterday in the proceedings in the Jumel case. He identified the signature of Major Reuben Ballou to his military returns of June 19, 1777, and described at length the Ballou family, with whom he lived. He always called Major Ballou "father," and Ballou called him "son." Witness married when he was twenty-five, in 1834, a lady named Widow Lyon, with whom he lived fifty years until she died. He saw Mme. Jumel at Saratoga four years after his wife's death. He went out to see the property he claims at Fort Washington about five years ago, when he first began the case. Judge Edmonds began the suit for him, and he then gave him a retainer of $500 in cash. Witness was asked where he got the money, and he answered, "I didn't steal it; I brought it with me from Providence; I always have money, but I don't keep a bank account; I always carry $900 with me."

Mr. Stickney—You'd better not let that be known in this City.—[Laughter.]

During the cross-examination by Mr. O'Conor witness described his first visit to this City, about sixty or seventy years ago; but nothing that has not before been published was elicited. He was introduced to Judge Edmonds by a Miss Vanderpoort, to whom witness agreed to give a certain percentage of the amount recovered from the estates, signing a paper to that effect. After Judge Edmonds gave up the case witness got the paper back, and destroyed it.

After the recess the cross-examination of Mr. Bowen was concluded, and the plaintiff introduced the papers and copies of the town records of Providence, R. I., which were put in evidence on the former trial. By these documents it appears that Betsey Bowen was ordered to leave the town by the Town Council, who feared that she would become a burden upon the town. She had really no place to leave, however, but lived in the house of Major Ballou, where Bowen, the claimant, was born.

The Health Department—Small-Pox in the City—How it Spreads.

At a meeting of the Board of Health yesterday, the Sanitary Committee recommended that the shooting-gallery at Funk's Park, at the foot of Sixty-third-street, East River, should be closed forthwith, and not opened again without a permit from the Board.

Dr. E. H. Janes, City Sanitary Inspector, presented a report accounting for the increase of small-pox reported last week. Of the twenty-four cases reported, ten are friends, or have been associated with patients previously reported; fourteen had not been vaccinated since infancy; several were young children, who had not been vaccinated; one was vaccinated in infancy, and one had been sick eighteen days when the case was reported, and at that time the disease had been communicated to other members of the family.

The attorney was directed to enter suits against several butchers who continued the business of slaughtering without permits from the Board. Judge Bosworth remarked that suits had been ordered week after week, but no result had been reported.

The attorney stated that the suits which had been brought in the Sixth (District Civil Court) had been continually adjourned, and it seemed impossible to bring them to trial. The attorney was directed to report to the Board how often the suits had been adjourned.

The Reddering Company's application for permission to melt fat, &c., at the foot of West Thirty-eighth-street, was referred to the Sanitary Committee.

The Case of Maine.

A meeting of Maine men resident in New-York was held yesterday in the Astor House, for the purpose of forming an association of the Sons of Maine. A constitution and by-laws were read by the chairman, and accepted. The constitution states the objects of the association to be the promotion of mutual acquaintance, charity, friendship, and culture, among its members, and the furtherance of the interests of the State of Maine and its citizens.

The annual reunion of the association will take place on the 15th of March. The following officers were elected: President, Ambrose Snow; Vice-Presidents, Erastus Brooks, Richard P. Buck, Samuel C. Fessenden, Enoch Inralls; Secretary, Joseph Trout; Treasurer, Charles H. Lewis.

BOWLES BROTHERS.

Proceedings in the Law Courts—Meetings of the Creditors.

Yesterday, says the London Times of Nov. 27, at the Justice-room of the Mansion House, Mr. Robert Bowles, forty-three years of age, an American banker, and a member of the firm of Messrs. Bowles, Brothers & Co., of the Strand, whose disastrous failure was recently announced, was charged before the Lord Mayor, on remand, with the following offence—namely, that he, between the 1st of January and the 1st of November, in the City of London, having been intrusted jointly with three other persons, not in custody, as bankers, with certain valuable securities, viz., 200 debentures of the Lombardo-Venetian Railway Company, of the value of £2,000, for safe custody, unlawfully, in violation of good faith, and contrary to the object and purpose for which the debentures were so intrusted to him, transferred, pledged, and converted them to his own and his partners' use and benefit. The defendant was arrested on a warrant, but since the last examination he had been admitted to bail in the amount of £8,000, to which he duly surrendered. The proceedings occupied much time.

Mr. George Lewis, Jr., solicitor, conducted the prosecution; Mr. Metcalfe (instructed by Messrs. Wentner & Sons) appeared for the defense.

To make the proceedings of yesterday intelligible it must be stated that the prosecutors are Messrs. Thomas d'Agiout, Père et Fils, bankers at Naples, and that in March, 1871, they entered into an agreement with the defendant's firm to draw upon them on certain conditions, among others that their drafts should be met within a month; that some "cover" or security for the advances should be deposited with Messrs. Bowles, and that the latter might dispose of the bonds on the failure of the prosecutors to meet their obligations. Accordingly, 200 debentures of the Lombardo-Venetian Railway and £3,000 in cash were handed to them in London for safe custody. The firm of Bowles, Brothers & Co., of the London branch of which the defendant was the head, stopped payment on the 8th or 9th inst. with large liabilities, and on M. Antonio d'Agiout, one of the prosecutors, coming at once to London, and making a visit to the place of the debentures, he found that they, with other property belonging to customers, had been pledged at the Union Bank. The defendant, on being applied to, said he knew nothing of the business.

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ITALY.

The Land and the People in the Present.

The Press and the Nation's Prospects—Partisans of Universal Suffrage—Popular Religious Sentiment—Patriotism Against the Church.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ROME, Tuesday, Nov. 12, 1872.

Certain journals here are sounding the alarm of a European reaction. The sensible view is taken that the only security for Italy is in being strong on her own account, and giving up the habit of leaning upon powerful foreign neighbors—a habit in the past too much indulged. A new element of weakness has recently been introduced by the aspirations after power of a certain party, using as an instrument for obtaining it an agitation for a great extension of the franchise, or, as it is commonly phrased, "universal suffrage." The time for the general meeting in the Coloseum of delegates from all Italy is near, and some timid people are looking forward to a sort of "Dorr rebellion." To these weak brethren nothing else is in prospect but a procession marching to the door of the Parliament House, demanding the concession of one does not know what new and before unheard-of privileges. The clerical party see a ray of hope gleaming out of this abyss of democratic darkness. These insist that the Italians are soon to upset the dish, after fidelity for ten years upon the nice try of liberty and national unity. In a week from this the Deputies are to come together, and the war upon the Roman convent system is to begin. Nothing is yet clear as to what is to be the result. The King's Cabinet has in this question a more difficult part to play than at any time before since it assumed power. A semi-official organ speaks of the coming discussion as a "great Parliamentary battle, from which the party of the Opposition hopes to come out victorious."

POPULAR RELIGIOUS SENTIMENT.

It used to be supposed that among the Catholic populations of the world the people of Italy had the right to be reckoned the first in devotion to the Papacy and the dogmas of the Roman Catholic faith. No such superstitious reference for church rites and ceremonies, saints, images, holy-water, candle-burning, processions and pilgrimages, could be found in any other country except Spain. But the past twenty years has changed all that, and it will surprise many to learn that the inquiry is now beginning to be made among serious-minded patriots and politicians of honest intentions, what means can be used to take the people out of their present condition of indifference to religious institutions and bring them back to a reasonable form of Christian faith. In the country districts, where the parish priests still form the centre of the simple rustic society, the confiding trust of the people is not so much disturbed. But in all the cities and considerable centres of population, the young men are growing up, if not in impiety, at least with so systematic attention to religious duties. When the mass is going forward on days of fêtes, the church is made a place to which the well-dressed portion of the youth of the city resort, for no other purpose than to indulge their love-dreams and enjoy an opportunity of gazing upon the objects of their profane idolatry. If you talk with a young man about his religious views and feelings, the reply will be, in nine cases out of ten, *cose s'importano gli affari della chiesa!*—what do religious matters signify to me? The great mass of the republicans, and the party of Garibaldi are in this condition. The great patriotic leader has cried out again and again to his followers, "Have nothing to do with the priests!" and the injunction has been followed. These are only able to see in the priestly party those who have opposed the union of Italy, and used their influence to keep the country under a foreign yoke. While the doctrines of the advanced party have helped to destroy in the popular mind the religious faith in which the people have been trained, no substitute has been offered or yet found. We can, at least, see that the sentiment of love of country has been developed almost to a passion, and so far as it can, this worship of *La Patria* has taken the place of the reverence lost for the teachings of the Church. It is, no doubt, cruel to destroy in the uninstructed mind the simple faith founded upon no matter how irrational a system, which has been the only support and source of consolation in poverty and affliction and a hopeless social inferiority. From all we can learn, the religion of the ancient Romans was quite as much that of a fanatical patriotism as of a superstitious worship of the gods. We see something like it in our time in the French nation. When Mondignor Dupanloup was, several months back, making his appeal to M. Thiers, and the French Assembly to resolve upon some form of intervention in favor of the Papacy, we witnessed a characteristic result. The head of the French State, in an earnest and solemn speech, told the ecclesiastical party that however much the Government might be disposed to do something to help the Pope, and put back the Italian estate, France was not in condition to do it. Brought to the brink of ruin by a blundering war, the first duty of the country was to itself, and the Pope and the interests of the Church in Italy must take care of themselves. It was equivalent to saying, "If it is a question of life and death to the temporal power, it is also a question of life and death for France, and in such a dilemma no true Frenchman can hesitate in his choice. If we are to choose whether France or the Papacy shall perish, the Papacy may go down, but France must live." Mgr. Dupanloup bowed his head in submission for his party, and we have heard nothing more from that source about intervention in Italian affairs.

A COUNTRYMAN'S ADVICE.

Dr. Pantaleoni, a distinguished Roman patriot, well known among foreign visitors to Rome, has written an article in the last number of the *Nova Antologia*, which has attracted considerable attention. The leading idea set forth in the article is this of the error of Italian public feeling or opinion in allowing the religious sentiment of principle to go to decay. The Government is severely blamed for the part it has taken in the work. The argument is that both the State and Italian society are weakened by present tendencies. There is not room here to go into an examination of the whole ground. But it is sufficient to say that there are indications of a growing desire to bring the present revolutionary movement to an end, and give a positive direction, in a true and healthful sense, to the religious education of the country. The writer has been a sufferer in the Italian cause, having been banished from his native city of Rome by the Papal authority, for his liberal sentiments. In looking into the future of his country, Dr. Pantaleoni is less an optimist than a pessimist. There are those who see that the principal peril to Italy is from without, and to come from a war, sooner or later, with France. This prescient observer finds the great danger within.

THINGS FROM ATHENS.

Since the close of the war, nothing has given us such a shock as the intelligence which has just reached us of the terrible fire in Boston. People in this part of the world hear of these awful disasters in America with amazement, and find nothing in their history to be compared with them since the devastations by fire and sword in the destruction of the Roman Empire. The inquiry is constantly recurring, Is there no possible way of putting a check upon this awful scourge, which falls not less frequently than formerly upon our cities? Cannot a lesson be taken from Italian modes of construction? Here, capital invested in houses and commercial magazines, is an investment for all time; for losses to any considerable amount by the agency of fire are almost unknown. Structures raised two, three, and four hundred years ago, remain almost exposed only to the decay which comes from the slow wear of the elements. Very little of combustible material is allowed to enter into construction, and no vast masses of merchandise are ever stored within a single compassing wall. The partitions are two and three times as thick as those introduced into American buildings, and solid vaults of brick and stone are made to do the thorough work of hindering the progress of fire from one story to another—this from the lack of an abundance of iron, found in such quantities with us. It would be a benefaction to our communities and to Italian workmen, to organize an immigration, on a considerable scale, of Italian wall and vault builders to our country. No better mechanics in this line of work need be looked for anywhere, and with most benefit to themselves, as well as to us, they might exchange their slender pay here of two or three francs per day for such remuneration as is made in our cities to good workmen. The advantage thus gaining which is here stimulated by no hope of a better condition, would be quickened into usefulness by adequate reward offered in America and the pushing and energetic action of American managers of affairs. The matter is worth the attention of our master mechanics; and directors of insurance companies and property-holders will learn, by a new system of practice, that an ounce of prevention is worth a thousand pounds of cure. ANGELICO.

LAW REPORTS.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 96.—*Pickersgill, Survivor, &c., vs. Lehsens et al.* Appeal from the Circuit Court for the Southern District of New-York.—This is a suit in equity on a joint bond made by Lehsens as principal and one Lafarge as surety, conditioned to pay all moneys which might be recovered in a certain suit, or the collection of which might be stayed by the issuing of an injunction therein. The suit was upon certain notes which Lehsens had indorsed in the name of his firm, assigned without consideration, and was brought against all the members of the firm. By the law of New-York, when this action was first notes were commenced, and when the bonds were given, there could have been no recovery in the action without establishing the original liability of all the defendants therein; but before the trial of the cause the law was changed so that there could be recovery against any one of the defendants. Under the change of the law the case resulted in a judgment against Lehsens only, against which he sued out a writ of error on his exception to liabin as the surety of Lehsens alone, under the change of the law, during the pendency of the action. The Court holds that the bond, holding that the bond is joint, and not several, there could be no recovery against the Lafarge estate, and that the change in the New-York law could not affect the liability of the surety on a bond executed prior to the enactment. It is here argued in support of the appeal that the prohibition against laws impairing the obligation of contracts has never been understood to embrace laws that relate merely to the remedy for their enforcement, and that, in legal intendment, both Lehsens and Lafarge must be regarded as principals on this bond, so far as the rights of the plaintiffs are concerned. In the case of statutory obligations of this character, it is the intention of the law, and not the intention of the party, that ought to prevail. The law requires the bond to be given for the protection and indemnity of the parties against whom the relief is sought and whose rights are imperilled by the being granted, and the law requires that security shall be given for the better security of the plaintiff. It is not a question of contract. The plaintiff has no election to accept or scrutinize to accept the bond. The only right he has in the premises is to require that the surety shall justify as required by the statute. The intention of the law was that the property of the principal, and of the surety, should be charged with the liability assumed in favor of the plaintiffs, and so it should be construed.

T. J. Glover, F. H. Dykers, and Francis Kernan, for appellees; W. W. Macfarlane for appellants.

DECISION.

No. 14.—*United States* vs. *Cooke.*—Certificate of Division from the Circuit Court for the Southern District of Ohio.—The defendant was indicted at the October Term, 1868, for embezzlement of funds held by him as Paymaster in the Army, the indictment charging acts of embezzlement at certain times in May, July, September, and October, 1862. Demurrer was interposed to the counts so charging, on the ground that some days named had elapsed since the commission of the offense charged. On the questions whether it is could come to the cause whether he was liable to indictment, and whether the statute of limitations was applicable, the Court were divided in opinion, and the case was certified here, where it is held that he cannot take exception to the counts in the indictment by demurrer; that he is liable to be prosecuted, convicted, and punished under the counts, and that the thirty-second section of the Crimes act contains the only limitation applicable to the charge, and it cannot be made available by demurrer to the indictment. Mr. Justice Clifford delivered the opinion.

No. 8.—*Hadley* vs. *Hughes.*—Error to the Circuit Court for the District of Missouri.—This was a controversy concerning a quarter section of land in Howard County, Missouri. The judgment below was for the defendant, who is the vendee of parties claiming title by patents from the Government, and who has been personally in possession since 1839, and has materially improved the property. The Court regarded the long and undisturbed possession of the defendants as conclusive in favor of the title in the actual possession. The Court takes the same view and affirms the judgment. Mr. Justice Bradley delivered the opinion.

No. 40.—*Dillon* vs. *United States.*—Appeal from the Court of Claims.—No. 41.—*Hoole* vs. *Same.*—Error to the Circuit Court for the Northern District of Illinois.—The Chief-Justice announced the affirmance of the judgments in these cases, no opinion being written in either of them.

Story et al. vs. *City of Salem.*—Error to the Circuit Court for the District of Massachusetts.—Dismissed.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Flour steady. Wheat quiet and weak; No. 2 Spring, $1 20@$1 21; No. 3 do., $1 11@$1 12; January, $1 20@$1 20½; cash, $1 20½@$1 20½. Corn firm; No. 2 Mixed, 31c.@31½c. spot; 31¾c., January; Rejected, 28c. Oats quiet and in shade lower; No. 2 at 22c.@22½c.; Rejected at 20c.@21½c. Rye firm and scarce; No. 2 at 61c.@61½c. Barley quiet and unchanged; No. 2 Fall, 60½c. Pork steady at $11 25@$11 50. Lard in fair demand; sales at $7 10@$7 15 ⅌ 100 lbs. Meats quiet; Green Hams—Demand good at full prices; sales at 6¾c. @7¼c., according to weight. Green Rough Sides, loose, sold at 5¾c. Bulk Meats quiet and unchanged; sales Shoulders, by boxes, 4¾c.; Bellies, loose, 6¾c. Whiskey steady at 88c. Receipts—7,000 bbls. Flour, 64,000 bushels Wheat, 31,000 bushels Corn, 36,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Rye, 19,000 bushels Barley. Shipments—3,000 bbls. Flour, 19,000 bushels Wheat, 7,000 bushels Corn, 22,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Rye, 15,000 bushels Barley.

BUFFALO, Dec. 11.—Lake Imports—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; Wheat, 8,200 bushels; Corn, 32,000 bushels; Oats, 28,500 bushels; Barley, 1,800 bushels; Rye, 500 bushels. Bath Shipments—Wheat, 10,500 bushels; Corn, 34,000 bushels; Oats, 28,500 bushels; Rye, 500 bushels; Barley, 1,800 bushels. Lake Freight—Wheat, Western Channel, 2½c.; Barley, 2½c. Flour quiet; Western Spring, $7 50@$8 25; Baker's, $7 50@$7 75; Amber, $8 00@$8 75; White, $8 75@$9 50. Wheat firm, with better inquiry; sales, 5,000 bushels Milwaukee No. 2 Spring at $1 40; 1,000 bushels Green Bay Spring at $1 40; 2,000 bushels Winter Mixed at $1 35. Corn steady; sales, 10,000 bushels No. 2 in car lots, at 36c. Oats dull; No. 2 Western held at 40c.; No. 2 Toledo at 42c. Barley quiet; Canada, 90c.@95c. Rye dull; No. 1 State, 75c. Barley-malt easy; Prime White Winter, $1 15@$1 20; Canada, $1 25. Balance unchanged.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—Flour—Only a local trade. Wheat—Spring, no market, and only a few small sample lots of Winter sold. Corn dull and unchanged; 31½c. at Elevator, 32c. at Levee, on the track. Oats dull and unchanged; No. 2, 25c., on track and in warehouse. Barley dull and unchanged; sample lots of Iowa at 70c.@90c. Rye—No sales. Whiskey firm at 88c. Pork dull; order lots at $12 25. Dry-salted Meats—Small business; loose Clear Rib Sides, 5¾c. Green Meats quiet; Clear Sides, 5¾c.; Shoulders, 4¾c. Bacon—No sales; Last in good demand for future delivery; sales of Prime Steam at 7c., December, mostly delivered at Kansas City and St. Joseph. Live Hogs firm at $3 50@$3 75. Cattle—Demand very active; unchanged at $2 50@$3 75 for fair to extra. Receipts—3,000 bbls. Flour, 9,000 bushels Wheat, 3,000 bushels Corn, 11,000 bushels Oats, 3,000 bushels Barley, 10,000 Hogs.

OSWEGO, Dec. 11.—Flour dull and unchanged; sales, 1,600 bbls. Wheat—No. 2 Spring 32 for No. 1 Spring; 33 for Amber Winter; $1 75 for White Winter; $16 50 for Double Extra. Wheat firm; sales, 2,000 bushels No. 1 Milwaukee Club at $1 43; 800 bushels do. at $1 40. Corn firm; sales, 1,000 bushels at 38c.; 10,000 bushels at 40c. Barley nominal; $1 05@$1 10 for Bay Quinte. Corn-meal, $1 25 for Boiled; $1 24 for Unbolted. ⅌ cwt. Mill-feed unchanged; Shorts, $20@$21; Middlings, $23@$24 ⅌ ton. Railroad Freights—Flour to Philadelphia, 70c.; to Boston, 75c.; to New-York, 62c., and to Albany, 34c.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 11.—Flour unchanged. Wheat in fair demand and firm; No. 2, $1 35. Corn unchanged. Rye in fair demand, and advanced to 72c. @73c. Barley quiet and unchanged. Barley-malt unchanged. Butter steady. Provisions stronger. Pork nominally unchanged. Lard active and higher; Steam, 5¾@5¾c., ⅌ lb.; Kettle, 6¼c.; with sales. Bulk Meats firm and unchanged. Bacon—Shoulders, 5¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 6¾c.; Clear Sides, 6¾c.@6¾c. Green Meats firmer; Shoulders, $4 40 ⅌ cwt.; Rib Sides, $4 60 ⅌ cwt.; Hams, 6½c.@7½c. Live Hogs firm at $3 75@$3 80; bulk of sales at $3 50@$3 70. Whiskey firm at 88c.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 11.—Flour firm and unchanged. Grain quiet. Provisions active and strong. Pork, $12 00. Bacon—Shoulders, 5c.; Sides, 5¾c.@5¾c., loose. Sugar Cured Hams—Sugar-cured, 12c.@12½c. Bulk Meats—Shoulders, 3¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 5¾c.@5¾c.; Clear Sides, 5¾c.@5¾c. for round lots, loose. Lard, 7½c.@7¾c. for choice Leaf. Green Meats—Shoulders, 4¼c.; Clear Ribs, 5¾c.; Clear Sides, 5c. Hams from block, 7½c.; cash. Live Hogs firm at $3 50@$4 10; receipts, 4,300. Whisky steady at 88c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 11.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat steady; No. 1, $1 19; No. 2, $1 11½. Corn steady; No. 2 Mixed, 37c. Oats in fair demand, and firm; No. 2, 23½c. Rye steady; No. 1, 61½c. Barley active and higher; No. 2 Fall, 65c. Receipts—2,000 bbls. Flour, 24,000 bushels Wheat, 3,000 bushels Barley. Shipments—10,000 bbls. Flour, 4,000 bushels Wheat, 3,000 bushels Barley.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 11.—Flour in fair demand and firm. Wheat dull, but stronger; No. 1 Winter Red, $1 36; No. 2 Winter Red, $1 32. Corn quiet and unchanged; High Mixed, 47c.; Low Mixed, 46c.; Yellow, 48c. Oats in light request; No. 1, 27c.; No. 2, 25c. Petroleum steady and unchanged.

DETROIT, Dec. 11.—Wheat active and higher; Extra, $1 79; No. 1 White, $1 60½; Amber Michigan, $1 58. Corn dull and declined to 40½c. Oats in good demand at 26c. Receipts—2,000 bbls. Flour, 2,000 bushels Wheat. Shipments—2,000 bbls. Flour, 7,000 bushels Wheat.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 11.—Cotton in good demand; Middling, 19½c.@19¾c.; Low Middling, 18½c. @18¾c.; net receipts, 6,120 bales; gross, 6,111 bales; exports to the Continent, 4,668 bales; sales, 8,000 bales; last evening, 7,250 bales; stock, 154,031 bales.

GALVESTON, Dec. 11.—Cotton in good demand; offerings very light; Good Ordinary, 18½c.; net receipts, 1,428 bales; exports to Great Britain, 850 bales; coastwise, 548 bales; sales, 1,000 bales; stock, 9,238 bales.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 11.—Cotton firm; Middlings, 18½c.@18¾c.; net receipts, 3,041 bales; exports to the Continent, 1,581 bales; coastwise, 1,271 bales; sales, 7,000 bales; stock, 68,268 bales.

MOBILE, Dec. 11.—Cotton firm; Good Ordinary, 17½c.; Middling, 18¾c.; net receipts, 1,409 bales; exports, coastwise, 701 bales; sales, 1,000 bales; stock, 65,970 bales.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 11.—Cotton firm; Middling, 18½c.; net receipts, 2,405 bales; exports, coastwise, 1,002 bales; sales, 1,100 bales; stock, 87,248 bales.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange, Dec. 11.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

200	Pacific Mail	76¾	200	Pacific Mail	77⅛
700	do	77	500	do	77⅛
400	do	77	1400	do	77⅛
400	do	76⅞	300	do	77⅛
300	do	76⅞	2000	Western Union	77
400	do	76⅞	200	do	77⅛
300	do	76	300	do	77⅛
400	do	76⅞	300	do	bd. 77⅛
300	do	76⅞	300	do	77⅛
300	do	76	200	do	77⅛
400	do	76⅞	100	do	sl. 77⅛
300	do	76⅞	300	do	77⅛
400	do	76⅞	2000	do	77⅛
100	do	76⅞	100	do	77⅛
1200	do	76¾	1000	do	76
100	do	76⅞	100	Lake Shore	c. 94⅞
200	do	76⅞	200	do	94⅞
300	do	76⅞	200	do	94⅞
100	do	c. 76⅞	200	do	94⅞
100	do	76⅞	100	N. Y. C. & Hud.	93⅞
200	do	76⅞	100	do	93⅞
300	do	c. 76	100	Erie Railroad	22½
1000	do	76⅞	200	do	22½
100	do	c. 76⅞	100	C., C. & I. C.	29¾
300	do	76⅞	100	Union Pacific	c. 97⅞
100	do	c. 76	100	do	bd. 97
400	do	76	200	do	97⅞
300	do	77⅞	100	Reading	113⅞
200	do	77⅞	200	do	113⅞
100	do	c. 77⅞	200	do	c. 113
100	do	77⅞	100	do	113⅞
100	do	77⅞	4 0	Pac. H. & E.	8⅞
500	do	c. 77⅞	100	do	bd. 8⅞
200	do	77⅞	1700	do	8⅞
200	do	77⅞	100	do	8⅞
100	do	77⅞	100	Tol. & Wabash	70⅞
100	do	77⅞	100	do	70
700	do	77⅞	100	Han. & St. Jo.	42
400	do	77⅞	100	do	42⅞
1200	do	78	100	do	42
100	do	77⅞	100	Ohio & Miss.	c. 41⅞
200	do	77⅞	200	do	41⅞
200	do	77⅞	300	do	41⅞
100	do	77⅞	100	do	41⅞
100	do	77⅞	100	do	c. 41⅞
500	do	77⅞	100	do	41⅞

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10¾ A. M.

$25,000	U. S. 5s, '81, C.	117⅛	$5,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '65	113⅞
10,000	do	117⅛	5,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '67	113⅞
5,000	U. S. 5-20 C. '66	113⅛	5,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	109⅞

FIRST BOARD—10¾ A. M.

$27,000	Tenn. 6s, old	61	200	U. P. Ex.	c. 21⅞
1,000	do	61⅞	200	N. Y. C. & Hud.	93⅞
10,000	do	61⅞	400	do	bet. cash. 93⅞
10,000	do	b. 5-30	82	400	do	sl. 93
4,000	Tenn. 6s, new	61⅞	200	do	c. 93
1,000	Va. 6s, old	55	200	do	93⅞
12,000	do	55	1000	Pacific Mail	77⅞
1,000	N. Car. 6s, old	24⅞	500	do	77⅞
10,000	S. Car. 6s, new	10	100	do	77⅞
1,000	Mo. 6s, 1887	94	300	do	bet. cash. 77⅞
5,552	Va. 6s, Def	15⅞	500	do	77⅞
25,000	Va. 6s, Con	56	600	do	77⅞
5,000	Missouri 6s	94⅞	500	do	77⅞
2,000	Long Dock Bds	69	500	do	77⅞
1,000	Cen. Pac. G. B.	101⅞	1100	do	77⅞
5,000	Un. Pac. 1st, L.G.	79⅞	1000	do	77⅞
5,000	do	78⅞	200	do	77⅞
2,000	Tol., P. & W. 1st	76	1700	do	77⅞
	West. Div.	84⅞	200	do	77⅞
15,000	C. & N. W. Con.	87⅞	1200	do	77⅞
2,000	H. & St. Jo. 7's	82	1700	do	78⅞
3,000	Chi. & Alt. 1st	104	100	do	78⅞
20,000	Ohio & M. 2d	86	1200	do	78⅞
3,000	C., C. & I. C. 1st	88	1000	do	78⅞
1,000	B., H. & Erie 1st	42⅞	2100	do	78⅞
1,000	B., C.R. & M. 1st	86	1800	do	78⅞
10,000	Eco. R. of Mo. 1st	87⅞	1700	do	78⅞
1,000	Ill. Cen. Leased	90	200	do	78⅞
1,000	W. U. Tel. 7's	95	200	do	78⅞
	Bank of N. Y.	132	200	do	78⅞
100	New Y. Gas Lt.	24⅞	600	do	78⅞
200	do	c. 47⅞	700	do	79⅞
500	Quicksilver	pd. 48⅞	400	do	79
100	Quicksilver Pf.	55⅞	100	O. & M. Pf.	b.cl. 74
200	Mariposa M. Pref.	15⅞	1100	Erie	bet. cash. 22⅞
200	West. Un. b. c.	78	100	do	22⅞
100	do	c. 78	100	do	22⅞
1000	do	78⅞	200	do	c. 22⅞
1500	do	78⅞	200	do	22⅞
100	do	c. 78⅞	100	Un. Pac.	b. 79⅞
200	do	78⅞	100	do	79⅞
200	do	78⅞	50	Chi. & N. W. Pf.	91
1300	do	78⅞	200	do	bet. cash. 91⅞
1000	do	78⅞	1100	do	c. 91⅞
1500	do	78⅞	100	do	b30. 91⅞
1600	do	78⅞	100	do	91
700	do	79	100	Chi. & R. I.	b. c. 113⅞
400	do	c. 79⅞	100	do	c. 113⅞
600	do	79	100	do	c. 113⅞
4000	do	79	100	do	c. 113⅞
300	do	79⅞	100	do	c. 113⅞
200	do	79⅞	100	do	113⅞
200	do	79⅞	100	do	113⅞
100	do	bd. 78⅞	200	Mil. & St. P.	b. c. 85⅞
200	do	sl. 78⅞	100	Mil. & St. P.	b. c. 85⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 85⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	Lack. & W.	94
400	do	78⅞	30	do	bet. cash. 94
100	do	78⅞	100	Mad. R. & R.	b. 8
1100	do	78⅞	100	B., H. & E.	b. c. 6
100	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 8⅞
100	do	78⅞	400	do	bd. 8⅞
200	do	78⅞	200	do	8⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	8⅞
100	do	sl. 78⅞	100	do	sl. 8⅞
100	do	78⅞	1100	do	bd. 8⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	do	c. 8⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	8⅞
700	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 8⅞
300	do	78⅞	200	T., Wab. & W.	b. c. 70⅞
300	do	78⅞	100	do	70
400	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 70⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	do	70⅞
400	do	78⅞	200	do	bd. 70⅞
500	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 70⅞
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700	do	78⅞	100	do	70⅞
1000	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 70⅞
300	do	78⅞	100	do	70⅞
300	do	78⅞	500	do	70⅞
300	Quicksilver	15	100	do	bd. 70⅞
100	Mariposa	81⅞	200	do	70⅞
100	Ex. Exp.	67⅞	200	do	70⅞
100	Am. M. U. Exp.	67⅞	200	do	70⅞
300	Pacific Mail	79⅞	400	do	71
1400	do	78⅞	200	do	71⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	do	bd. 71
200	do	78⅞	100	do	70⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	71
200	do	78⅞	200	do	71
100	do	c. 78⅞	100	do	71⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	71⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	do	71⅞
500	do	78⅞	100	do	71⅞
1000	do	78⅞	100	do	71⅞
2000	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 71
200	do	78⅞	200	do	71⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	do	71⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	North-western	87
100	do	78⅞	100	do	87
300	do	78⅞	200	Rock Island	113⅞
200	do	78⅞	100	do	113⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	113⅞
100	do	78⅞	200	St. Paul	53⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	bd. 53⅞
500	do	78⅞	100	do	53⅞
200	do	78⅞	100	do	53⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	do	53⅞
100	do	78⅞	100	Del., L. & West.	94
100	do	78⅞	100	Han. & St. Joseph	42⅞
500	do	78⅞	200	do	44⅞
600	do	79	200	do	47
300	do	79⅞	200	do	47⅞
1100	do	79⅞	1000	do	47
1000	do	79⅞	200	do	46⅞
2100	do	79⅞	200	do	46⅞
100	do	b10. 80	100	do	46⅞
200	do	bd. 79⅞	500	do	46⅞
100	do	79⅞	500	do	46⅞
200	Atlantic Mail	14	100	Han. & St. J. Pf.	68
200	do	15⅞	100	do	68
200	do	15⅞	100	do	68⅞
100	N. Y. C. & Hud.	93⅞	200	Ohio & Miss.	41⅞
300	do	bd. 93⅞	100	Pacific R. of Mo.	65
100	Harlem Railroad	127⅞	100	R., R. & Erie	9⅞
200	Erie Railroad	bd. 22⅞	500	do	9⅞
200	do	22⅞	100	do	9⅞
100	do	22⅞	200	do	9⅞
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200	do	22⅞	200	do	bd. 9⅞
100	Lake Shore	bd. 94⅞	400	do	9⅞
300	do	94⅞	100	do	9
100	do	sl. 94⅞	600	Ohio & Miss.	bd. 47⅞
100	do	bd. 94⅞	100	do	47⅞
600	do	94⅞	100	do	47⅞
100	do	bd. 94⅞	200	do	47⅞
100	do	sl. 94⅞	100	do	bd. 47⅞
100	do	94⅞	200	C., C. & I. C.	29⅞
100	do	94⅞	100	do	29⅞

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 11—P. M.

The rate of Exchange on London was further advanced by the leading Bankers, to-day, to 108@108½ ⅌ cent. This movement, and less pressure to sell Gold, induced a recovery in the price of Gold from 112¾@112⅞ ⅌ cent., as at the close of business last night, to 112⅞@113⅛ ⅌ cent. The Public Funds partially improved with the recovery in Gold and the higher rate of Exchange, and the 5-20s of 1867 closed at 116⅞ ⅌ cent. The whole offerings to the Sinking Fund of United States 5-20s amounted to only $666,950, and these were declined by the Secretary of the Treasury as above the price of Gold at the hour of award. The Treasury will sell $1,000,000 Gold to-morrow.

Money continued in sharp demand among the Brokers at 7 ⅌ cent., with a small bonus added in many instances, but the question being one of price, there was no want of supply at the close of Bank hours.

The Stock Exchange is generally better than yesterday. There is a further rise in Tennessee Bonds of 1⅛ ⅌ cent., and 1 ⅌ cent. in Virginia Consolidated Bonds. The Pacific and other Railroad Mortgages are in fair demand, sales of Union Pacific Firsts at 90 ⅌ cent. In the Railroad, Telegraph, and Pacific Mail Stocks the speculation was spirited, and the transactions in Telegraph and Pacific Mail very large. The Telegraph sold up to 78¾ ⅌ cent. The sales of Pacific Mail ranged 79¼@80; then 78@77½@77¾, and again in the Afternoon, at 79¼@79 ⅌ cent. The Wabash Stock advanced to 71¼@71½. Rock Island recovered part of the decline of yesterday, and there was rather a bullish feeling in Lake Shore, New-York Central, Ohios, &c. The Hannibal and St. Joseph Stocks moved up 2¼@3 ⅌ cent. on Tuesday's advance. At the close of the Hall of the Exchange, at 4 o'clock P. M., the following quotations were made as compared with Tuesday night. The general speculation had a firm look:

Closing Quotations—Dec. 11.

	Tuesday.	Wednesday.
United States New 5s	111½	111½
U. S. 5-20s, May and November	113¾	113⅞
U. S. 5-20s, January and July	116⅛	116⅞
American Gold	112⅞	112⅞
Bills on London, 60 days	108⅞	108⅞
N. Y. Central and Hudson	96⅞	96⅞
Chicago and Rock Island	113⅞	113⅞
North-west Common	87⅞	87⅞
Pacific Mail	79⅞	79⅞
St. Paul Preferred	77	77
St. Paul Common	53⅞	53⅞
Ohio and Mississippi	47	47⅞
Western Union Telegraph	77⅞	78⅞
Erie	52⅞	52⅞
Union Pacific	87⅞	87⅞
Lake Shore	94⅞	94⅞
C., C. and Indiana Central	35⅞	35⅞
Toledo and Wabash	69⅞	71⅞
North-west Preferred	91⅞	91⅞
Hannibal and St. Joseph	43⅞	45⅞

UNITED STATES TREASURY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1872.

Gold receipts	$424,554 06
Gold payments	1,316,126 51
Gold balance	44,486,019 92
Currency receipts	591,285 55
Currency payments	309,461 69
Currency balance	22,020,307 23
Canceled gold certificates sent to Washington	860,000 00
Customs	849,000 00

The last prices for the various Public Funds of the United States are as follows:

6 ⅌ cent. reg., '81	113⅞	5-20 coup., n i., '65	115⅞
6 ⅌ cent. coup., '81	117⅞	5-20 reg., '67	112⅞
5-20 reg., '62	113

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, DEC. 12, 1872.

Amusements This Evening.

GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—SOUND THE CLOCK.—Mrs. John Wood, Miss Emma Howson, Mr. John Screnghan.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—THE LADY OF LYONS—Miss Neilson, Mr. J. W. Wallack, Mr. Wheelock.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—LEO AND LOTOS—Mr. M. W. Fiske, Mr. Lofflingwell, Mlle. Diani.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—BLUE BEARD—Mlle. Aimée, M. Juteau.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—OUR AMERICAN COUSIN—Mr. Sothern, Miss K. Vogate.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—ASPEN—Miss Agnes Ethel, Miss Emily Mestayer, Mr. D. H. Harkins.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—THE BARONESS—Mr. C. R. Griffiths, Miss Kate Claxton.

BARNUM'S.—MUSEUM, MENAGERIE, and HIPPODROME. Day and evening.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AND CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and evening.

ST. JAMES THEATRE.—SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS—Birch, Wambold, Backus and others.

TONY PASTOR'S OPERA-HOUSE.—VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

BRYANT'S OPERA HOUSE.—ETHIOPIAN MINSTRELSY—Dan Bryant, Seymour, Reed.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR—Miss Kellogg, Signor Vizzani.

ST. PETER'S HALL.—MRS. JARLEY'S WAX-WORKS.

TRENOR'S HALL.—MRS. JARLEY'S WAX-WORK SHOW.

ASSOCIATION HALL.—LECTURE by John B. Gough. Subject: "London."

STEINWAY HALL.—LECTURE by Mr. Wendell Phillips. Subject: "The Lost Arts."

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Last night's meeting of the Committee of Seventy was notable for two things. First, those present adopted unanimously a resolution defining the policy of the Committee in regard to legislation to be as follows: "To stand aloof from all party schemes, approving of all laws which will tend to give to the City a good government and substantial reforms, and disapproving of all schemes which look to party aggrandisement." Second, the recent course of Mayor HALL in making, in the last days of a dishonored administration, appointments of executive officials for a fresh term, was condemned with a vigor and frankness worthy of the occasion. It may fairly be questioned whether the outspoken denunciation of men like JAMES M. BROWN, JACKSON S. SCHULTZE, and JONATHAN STURGES will make much impression upon the pretentious mountebank who has trailed in the dust the dignity and honor of the Chief Magistrate of New-York. But they will help to convince all decent people, who are not already alive to the fact, how deliberate an insult to the citizens of New-York is involved in the assumption that OAKEY HALL has the slightest claim to interfere in the business of making further appointments for local office. These strictures of the Committee, as well as any further action they may take on this and cognate subjects, will carry with them redoubled force, now that they have resolved to occupy a strictly advisory position in regard to legislation affecting the City. Entire freedom from being committed to any cut-and-dried scheme, will enable the Committee to bring public opinion to bear upon the next Legislature in a way which cannot fail to produce the most salutary results.

Judge INGRAHAM has denied the motion to quash the indictment found against TWEED by the Oyer and Terminer Grand Jury. This indictment is but one of several criminal charges which hang over the head of TWEED. It relates to the proceedings of the Board of Audit, which made away with six millions of public money, of which over one million has been traced in Mr. TILDEN'S analysis of the accounts of the Broadway Bank directly into the possession of the Boss plunderer of the Ring. The first charge to which TWEED will be required to answer is that of fraudulent neglect to audit claims submitted to him, or of certifying to the correctness of bills which he knew to be spurious. Certain newspapers seem incapable of discriminating between these criminal suits against the Ring, and the civil suits for the recovery of the money which are being prosecuted in the State Courts. It is of some importance that the public should not lose sight of the distinction between two totally different sets of proceedings.

M. GAMBETTA, and the other leaders of the party of the Left in the French Assembly, seem to be urging the immediate dissolution of that body with more zeal than discretion. The Radicals are, doubtless, perfectly correct in their assumption that the temper and opinions of the French people have greatly changed since the election of the present Assembly, and that the representatives of which it is composed indicate but very inadequately the present feeling of the nation. The Left justly calculates upon a powerful accession to its ranks in the event of a general election—calculates, in fact, upon holding in the next Assembly the balance of power which the Right holds in this one. As the Assembly is certainly sovereign, whether constituent or not, the question of dissolution rests with the majority; and, as they are not likely to sanction a proceeding which would reduce them to the condition of a minority, it seems probable that the gentlemen of the Left will find that their parliamentary tactics have been rather precipitate.

Our readers will find in another column the substance of a pamphlet just published by Mr. HENRY CLEWS on "Our Monetary Evils." It is written in an attractive style, and is logical and temperate. The suggestion that greater freedom should be allowed to the banks and bankers, in the transaction of their business, is made, not in a carping spirit, but with friendly recognition of the motives which determined the present legal limitations. Mr. CLEWS' views will be considered with attention.

The House of Representatives yesterday passed the Indian Appropriation bill, after a debate in which the inevitable frontier member participated, with the familiar statement that civilized Indians do not exist, and that the Quaker policy is a humbug. The President's policy was, however, warmly defended, and the majority for the measure was strong.

The Fire at the Fifth-Avenue.

The public will be impressed with two things in connection with the fire on Tuesday evening at the Fifth-avenue Hotel; one, the promptness with which the fire was dealt with, confining it to relatively narrow limits; and the other, the terrible loss of life which, nevertheless, the fire caused. There was evidently no conscious neglect on the part of the proprietors of the hotel is protecting the lives and property of their guests; ample and, in some respects, unusual appliances were provided for quenching fire, and these appliances were used with presence of mind, and with great promptness. On each floor were powerful pumps, provided with sufficient hose to reach along the entire length of the corridors; watchmen were frequent and well trained, and the testimony of the guests whose rooms were near where the fire originated is uniform that the hotel servants fought the flames far better than could have been expected. However, the alarm of fire was given almost as soon as it was discovered.

Yet, while every exertion was being made to subdue the fire, it was burning or suffocating eleven women in two small rooms under the roof. Why was this possible? What were the means of escape, and why were they not used? The answer is not now so clear as we could wish, perhaps not so clear as it will become by investigation. The rooms where the servant women died were at the top of the stairway in which the fire was discovered, and were separated from it, one by a door, and the other by a lath and plaster partition. In the stairway was also a dumb-waiter, and both reached from the attic to the roof. The rooms had windows opening upon the roof of the story below; from this roof ladders led down at places to a roof still lower. It is said to have been the intention of the proprietors that the occupants of the servants' rooms should, in case of fire, escape to the roof, and so to lower stories, where stairways were numerous. But the windows of these rooms were covered with a netting of wire about three-sixteenths of an inch thick, in meshes one and one-fourth inches square, set in pine frames, and nailed to the casement on the outside. These wire screens were put on the windows to serve the very necessary purpose of preventing access to the women's rooms from the roof. It is the belief of the proprietors that the screens were not in themselves strong enough to prevent the women who were burned or suffocated from escaping; and, in point of fact, some of the occupants of the other apartments did escape through the windows by forcing these screens off, or by tearing them from the frames. But it is not yet ascertained how much they were aided in this by men who were on the roof. It is also only too certain that to women confused with fright, perhaps half suffocated, with only their naked feet and hands as tools, the wire netting may have been a fatal obstruction. Whether it was so, or whether the poor creatures were overtaken by the smoke and flame, and prevented from opening the window, it is not now possible to say. Possibly some testimony brought out in the course of investigation may determine the point.

A thorough investigation of the matter should, of course, be held. The misery of that one night's work can never be remedied, but its repetition may be prevented. Had the stairway and its walls, as well as those of the dumb-waiter by its side, been fire-proof, no serious consequences could have ensued. As it is, the proprietors, who feel keenly the terrible calamity that has occurred, are apparently in the position of having thoroughly provided for the prevention and suppressing of fire save in one most exposed stairway, and that leading to rooms filled much too full with women, whose escape when fire approached in the way it finally did, was obstructed. The probability seems to be that the poor girls were suffocated before they had time to make any attempt to escape. They were what is called "scrub girls"—it was their duty to be up early in the morning, and they went to bed very early. Mr. GRISWOLD, one of the managers, passed their portion of the house a few minutes before eleven, and saw no signs of fire. The flames came up a spiral staircase, and soon prevented egress from the door. It is probable that if the poor girls had made a rush at the window, the wire-netting might have given way; but they were doubtless paralyzed by fright and stupefied with the smoke. All possible measures should be adopted to render the recurrence of so shocking a catastrophe impossible, and in the mean time a thorough investigation will be indispensable.

An Exemplary Legislature.

The Legislature of Vermont, which has just closed its sessions at Montpelier, if not in all respects a model Legislature, has at least furnished an example in many things which the people of this State would like to see followed at Albany. Although the Green Mountain State, under its amended Constitution, is only blessed with biennial sessions of the Legislature, yet the body that has just adjourned at Montpelier found time, in the brief space of fifty-seven days, to pass all the laws that their constituents are supposed to need for two years to come. When it is considered that the popular branch of the Vermont Legislature is more than twice as numerous as that of New-York, and that more than double the time must have been consumed in the frequent calls of the roll of members, some idea may be formed of the diligence, industry, and close attention to business that could enable them to finish up their work in so short space of time. It is doubtless true that the State of New-York requires a larger amount of legislation than the smaller commonwealth lying on its eastern boundary; and yet, if we exclude from the session laws of this State the acts that properly come under the head of "private legislation," there need not be so much difference after all. Public acts, or those affecting the welfare of the entire people, need not be much more numerous for the government of a large than of a small commonwealth. It is the private legislation—the framing of laws to promote the interests of individuals and corporations—that consumes so large a portion of the time of our Legislature, and, what is still worse, that draws around the Capitol at Albany those vile creatures of the lobby, whose malign influence taints with corruption the entire work of the session.

The Vermont Legislature, as we learn from the Montpelier *Watchman*, passed at its recent session about three hundred acts, all of which, so far as they are of a public nature, that paper is enabled to publish in a one-sheet supplement. Among them we find several that might well be incorporated in the statute-books of this and other States. Here is one, for instance, which, so far as we are aware, is entirely new in this country, and yet, in view of the almost daily accidents resulting from the careless and reckless use of fire-arms, seems to be timely and worth copying by the Legislature of every State in the Union:

An Act to prevent the careless use of fire-arms.

SECTION 1. Any person who shall intentionally, without malice, point or aim any fire-arms at or toward any other person, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subject to a fine of not more than fifty dollars, and not less than five dollars.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall discharge, without injury to any other person any fire-arms while intentionally, without malice, aimed at or toward any person, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the County Jail not to exceed one year, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall maim or injure any other person by the discharge of any fire-arm pointed or aimed intentionally, but without malice, at any such person, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars, or imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than two years.

SEC. 4. Any person maimed or wounded by the discharge of any fire-arms as aforesaid, or the heirs or representatives of any person who may be killed by such discharge, may have an action on the case against the party offending, to recover damages therefor.

SEC. 5. This act shall not apply to any case where fire-arms shall be used in self-defense, or in the discharge of official duty, or any case of justifiable homicide.

The "woman suffrage" question appears to have had one or two zealous champions in the Vermont Legislature, but they did not succeed in making much headway. The nearest approach they made toward a legislative recognition of their demands was to secure the votes of thirteen out of twenty-seven Senators in favor of allowing "unmarried taxed females to vote in school-district meetings, and hold school offices." This is considered such a hopeful beginning that the woman suffragists are enjoined by the Vermont papers to take courage, and hold themselves in readiness at the next session of the Legislature to respond to the call of "up girls, and at 'em."

The Bowles Robbery.

A second meeting of the creditors of BOWLES BROTHERS & Co. was held in London on the 27th ult. A report was read, from which it appeared that the liabilities of the firm were £83,000, exclusive of the liabilities incurred by the members of the firm in their capacity as managers of the Joint National Agency Company, which amounts to £95,000 more. The assets of the London branch of BOWLES BROTHERS & Co. amounted to £3,500, and unless the New-York house should prove to be in a better condition than there was any reason to suppose that it was, this paltry sum of £3,500 was all that the creditors could hope to recover. It was also stated that the Paris branch of the firm was not closed until the day after the failure of the London house, and that on the very day of the stoppage of the latter, £7,000 was drawn by it from the Union Bank, a part of which was transferred to Paris. The fact that the firm pledged securities intrusted to its charge, and raised money upon them, has been fully proved. A distinguished solicitor, who was present at the meeting, asserted that "he did not think that in the whole course of his thirty years' experience he had ever met with so villainous a case as this, which showed that persons had come over from America and opened houses in London, New-York, Geneva, and Paris, apparently without a shilling of capital." Meanwhile Mr. ROBERT BOWLES, who, although the head of the London house at the time of its failure, insists that he knew nothing whatever of its affairs, has been arrested and held to bail. The creditors have evidently lost their money, but it is earnestly to be hoped that the swindlers who have robbed them will be brought to justice; and judging from the spirit of the meeting on the 27th ult., if they escape punishment it will not be because of any lack of indignation on the part of their outraged clients.

Whose Fault Is It?

The Captain of the *Guatemala*, having charged the loss of his ship to the incompetency of the third officer—whom he nevertheless left in command of the deck at a critical period of the voyage,—the third officer now replies, alleging that he did his whole duty, denying the charges made against him by the Captain, and asserting that the latter was alone at fault. Of course, the investigation, which will soon be made, will determine which of these two contradictory statements is true, but in no event can the public conviction that the ship was lost through the gross careless of one or more of her officers be shaken.

Within the past four months, the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company has totally lost three steamers—the *America*, which was burned on the Asiatic coast; the *Bienville*, which was under a charter to the same Company when burned on the Atlantic coast; and the *Guatemala*, which, under a clear sky, was deliberately driven on a reef. During the same short period the *Arizona* and the *Orizaba* have become disabled in their machinery, and the *Sacramento* has been stranded on the coast of Lower California. In every instance the Company has, or will have, some plausible excuse to offer, and the public is asked to believe that the destruction of a steamer by fire, and the losses incident to the existence of incompetent third mates, are to be classed among unavoidable accidents. Why this particular Company should be so severely afflicted with unavoidable fires and objectionable third mates, while other companies enjoy comparative exemption from those calamities, its managers would probably find it difficult to explain. The Cunard steamers do not burn at sea; neither does the Inman line employ third mates of known incompetency, and permit them to run its vessels ashore while their commanders are taking tea in the cabin. The truth is, these excuses will not be received by the public as acquitting the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company of culpable mismanagement. It is, of course, quite possible that the best-appointed and most skillfully-commanded steamer may take fire or break her shaft in spite of every precaution. When, however, the steamers of a given company are lost by the half dozen, and at the rate of eighteen wrecked or disabled vessels per year, the theory that either the ships themselves are unfit for use, or that they are officered by grossly incompetent men, will appear to most unprejudiced minds as very probable.

This Company is the only one which keeps the American flag flying on sea-going steamers other than coasters—for the Havana and Brazil trade is properly the business of coasting craft. Its steamers plying between California and China are magnificent specimens of naval architecture, and, with the exception of the *America*, have carried their passengers with uniform safety. It is natural that, as Americans, we should feel a warm interest in the success of the Company; and its misfortunes are matters which touch our national pride. There is, certainly, abundant reason to believe that the steamers of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company are not equipped as they should be, and that the officers in its employment are in some instances incompetent. An immediate and thorough reform must be made, if this Company desires to retain the confidence which it formerly enjoyed with travelers and merchants.

Our Letters.

In the Postmaster-General's report we find that in the last fiscal year 4,641 letters "had no address whatever," and that "62,537 were misdirected, the post-office, State, or some necessary part of the address being omitted;" while "312,846 were detained for postage, not being prepaid as required by law."

These figures do not by any means give a full exhibition of the aggregate amount of carelessness in sending letters. They contain no statement of the number badly directed which an obliging postmaster or postman may, by dint of sedulous inquiry, contrive to get to the individuals for whom they are designed. Nor do they include those which never reach the person written to, because some part of his name is given incorrectly, or because they are directed to the wrong place. Among other things, the delightful play of imagination shown by many of the inhabitants of the rural districts in regard to the digits which represent the number of a city house, or the delicate compliment which they so often pay to married ladies and others whose names are not in the directory, by taking it for granted that all the clerks in the New-York Post-office will know who they are and where they live, is not, in any way, referred to in these statements.

The most singular item of those we have quoted is that of the letters which had no address at all. It is sometimes, indeed, annoying to a man to have the name of a correspondent known. In a small village, for instance, a young gentleman may not altogether desire that all the loungers around the store which contains the Post-office shall be joking about the fair object of his affections. Or a business man may apprehend that undue advantage will be taken if a rival is told the name of firms or individuals written on the envelopes of letters, in the handwriting of himself or his clerk. To put no address whatever on the letter would, next to not writing at all, be evidently the most secure way of avoiding any such publicity. But this method of attaining secrecy is accompanied by such obvious disadvantages that we should suppose few persons would resort to it, though how, in any other way, so many letters get into the Post-office without any writing on the outside, we are at a loss to conjecture. The mistake, we should think, would be almost as certainly observed and rectified as that of a gentleman attempting to walk, after breakfast, a couple of miles to his business, in a pair of cloth slippers, with eight inches of snow and water on the pavements.

There are few forms of carelessness more frequently productive of inconvenience and suffering than that which is often shown in directing letters. The delays and losses in business from this cause, and the distress occasioned to families, especially in cases of sickness or death, are so common that it is almost superfluous to mention them. Much of the deficiency and error in this respect is, it is true, the result of ignorance; but a great deal on the other hand, arises from sheer negligence on the part of people who know, or ought to know, well enough what is needed. Indeed, there are some persons who seem to make it a point of honor to leave something important out of the address of a letter. The painstaking manner, for instance, in which many ladies, in writing to their female relatives and friends, avoid directing their letters to the care of husbands or fathers, is very remarkable, especially in cases where there is nothing whatever outside of the letters, or inside of them either, which the writer has the slightest objection to the husband or father seeing. Perhaps it may be meant as an assertion of the independence of the female sex, but it is rather an inconvenient one, and none the less so from the violent twist now so often given the first names of young ladies in order to fit an "ie" on the end of them.

There is a great deal of delay in the transmission of correspondence for which the writers are in no way responsible. Letters on which the address is as plain as if it were printed, and in fact many on which it actually *is* printed, are, in innumerable cases, kept back in a way for which we can see no reason or excuse. But at the same time, the cause of a letter not being received when due is not always in the post-office. The public have a right to require that letters properly directed shall be promptly forwarded and delivered; but they cannot reasonably demand this in reference to those which have either no address at all, or none which furnishes the postman any adequate means of knowing where to send them.

A Lost Ship.

One of those shocking calamities, such as are read of in "Shipwrecks and Disasters at Sea," took place on the English coast during the great gale of Nov. 23 and 24. An emigrant ship, the *Royal Adelaide*, had sailed from London just before, bound for Sydney, Australia. Her passengers consisted chiefly of families, including many women and young children. These people were of the better class of artisans and agricultural laborers, were going to Australia to find permanent homes there, and had all their little property on board the ship. Some had never seen salt water before they sailed out of the Thames. The wind began to blow on the east coast of England, with tremendous force, on Saturday, Nov. 23. The *Royal Adelaide* was caught by the gale in West Bay, near Weymouth, on Sunday. As often happens in that neighborhood, the wind and rain were accompanied by a dense gray mist. The Captain was well aware of his danger, and made determined efforts to keep away from the coast. Nothing, however, could resist the fury of the storm, and on Sunday, late at night, the unfortunate ship was land-locked and driving straight on shore. She fired guns and threw up blue lights, and thus the coast-guard and fishermen, whose huts fringe the bay, knew of her approach. Rockets were sent up at Portland, and other signals were made, with the object—since it was inevitable that the vessel must go ashore—of showing her crew the most suitable place to beach her. The *Royal Adelaide* was, however, beyond human control, and, despite every effort, she struck the ground about midnight. Directly after, she pitched broadside on to the beach, and began to roll fearfully, backward and forward, with the tremendous waves.

On shore, some of the coast-guard kept burning red and blue lights, so that they and the crew might see to work, while others prepared the rocket apparatus to shoot a line across the doomed vessel. Before this could be done, some intrepid fishermen contrived to get a rope to her stern, where it was made fast, and, amid intense excitement, some sort of cradle was slung, with the hope of getting passengers and crew ashore. Meanwhile, a rocket was thrown right across the wreck amidships, and a similar cradle was attached to that. These things were not done too soon, for gigantic seas were every minute striking the vessel frightful blows, and covering her from stem to stern with foam and spray. Everything that could be torn away was swept from her decks. Some of the people on board were securely lashed, but others, who trusted to their hands, were wrenched from their hold, as the ship rolled and pitched into the boiling sea. Amid the red glare of the fires, which lit up the mist and the white rushing waves, the brave sailors bent to the task of sending the women and children safe to the shore. This was extremely difficult, because it was necessary to watch a chance, in each case, between the rolls of the ship from one side to the other. The work went manfully on, however, and, in most instances, with success. But there were some heartrending exceptions. A woman, with her child, was put in the cradle, and the little one was swept by the sea from its mother's arms. Two men trusted themselves to a rope, as the ship swung shoreward, dropping with the hope of swimming through the surf. Both were drowned. So was another poor woman with a baby, who refused to leave the vessel.

The *Royal Adelaide* was now fast going to pieces; and toward the end there was an incident, beautiful and touching, even amid so many acts of terror and of heroism. A sailor was the last to leave the wreck, and he carried with him, lashed to his back, a little boy. He reached the shore in safety, and his charge was at once in the arms of the fishermen's wives, who were awaiting him. The noble tar thereupon insisted upon returning to the vessel to save those who still remained. Some poor souls, paralyzed with fright, had refused to trust themselves to the cradle, and this man now proposed to go and bring them as he had brought the boy. The coast-guards men actually prevented his going by force; and the event showed that they were right. For, long before he could have got back again, a vast sea came roaring in from the main, far overtopping all that had preceded it, and completely engulfing the fated ship with its Niagara of waters; and when it fell back again, the *Royal Adelaide* was seen no more.

MINOR TOPICS.

The company of penniless Italian emigrants at Castle Garden has been reinforced by the addition of several hundred persons, many of whom are ignorant whether they are now in New-York or Buenos Ayres, and another vessel with four hundred more, is on the way to this port. Obviously these people cannot obtain employment during the Winter, and the majority of them will therefore have to be supported either by public or private charity. The Italian residents of this City held a meeting the other night to discuss the matter, but contented themselves for the most part with abusing VICTOR EMMANUEL and his Government. The true course would seem to be for the Italian Minister to immediately apprise his Government of the wretched condition of the emigrants, and to induce it to put a stop to the operations of the swindling emigrant society by which these people are sent to our shores. Meanwhile, the Italian residents burst to be able to devise some scheme for relieving the Commissioners of Emigration from the burden of supporting a thousand or so of helpless people, who are here against their wishes, and who have been robbed by the heartless swindlers who have lured them from their homes.

In presenting their report at the annual meeting on Monday evening, the Directors of the Union League of Philadelphia referred with pardonable pride to the record which the institution has made during the year now closing. Avowedly a political club, the Union League was not among the least of the agencies by which the great October victory in Pennsylvania was won, and is, therefore, entitled to claim a large share in the credit of the national Republican triumph. Considering the great work which it accomplished, and its large-hearted hospitality so constantly extended throughout the contest, it is entitled to the good wishes of all Republicans. We are glad to learn from the report that the Club is in a flourishing condition, and that it promises a service in the future no less effective than that rendered in the past.

A divorce case, founded upon the unusual plea that the marriage was compulsory and contracted under protest, is pending in a Baltimore Court. The plaintiff is the husband, who says that in July, 1871, he was politely invited to the house of his father-in-law by that gentleman, who, getting him there, was so anxious for an immediate marriage between his daughter and the plaintiff, that he held the latter a prisoner by threatening his life, while the clergyman who had been provided performed the ceremony. The plaintiff declares that to all his affirmative responses during the ceremony he added the proviso, "If this is legal," and he now asks that the marriage may be declared null and void. He is not very likely to be gratified.

It is the custom of communities to move slowly in all matters of reform. The people of this City knew long before they finally rose against the Tammany ring that their rulers were thieves, but the revolt that drove out TWEED and his gang was many months in gaining strength enough to accomplish its purpose. The suburban village of Flushing, which is wholly without any water, except that supplied by a few wells and cisterns, has been for a year past discussing the subject of introducing water from a neighboring pond; but though the necessity of the measure is conceded, and the village has voted to carry it out, not a pipe has yet been laid. So on Monday night, when a fine gale was blowing, a fire broke out in Flushing, and, before it could be stopped by pulling down buildings, seven houses were burned. Had the people of Flushing, instead of spending the Summer in remarking that water really ought to be brought into the town, actually gone to work and brought it in, the fire of Monday night could easily have been controlled. If they are wise they will heed the warning, and proceed to lay their water-pipes at once.

The case of QUINN, convicted on Monday of the murder of MARTIN STANFORD, was a rather curious one. QUINN, it was proved, had stabbed STANFORD in a scuffle on the 18th of August. The murdered man was taken to the hospital, and, at the expiration of a month, discharged, convalescent, for a visit to his family. He got upon a car, and after some words with the conductor, was by him pushed off so violently as to fall in the street. He was taken back to the hospital and died the same night, according to the testimony of the attending physician, from the bursting of an abscess which had formed about the old wound. A nice question, it will be seen, presented itself as to the measure of responsibility for STANFORD'S death. If the conductor had not pushed him from the car, he would probably have recovered of the stab; without the stab, the fall from the car would probably have been harmless. The Coroner's jury on the inquest acquitted the conductor; QUINN, less lucky, has just been found guilty and sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment. Whatever may be thought of the former verdict, there will be few to cavil at the latter. Whether QUINN was or was not morally guilty of murder, he was guilty of using murderously a murderous weapon, which men of his class have heretofore been in the habit of wielding altogether too freely for public comfort or safety.

While we are anxiously hoping for that rapid transit which is so often promised, and so perpetually postponed, the Greenwich-street Elevated Railway has actually given us something very much like it. After a distinct failure at the outset of the enterprise, and a prolonged period of ridicule from the public, the Elevated Road has become a positive success. Trains have been run daily, at frequent intervals, for nearly a year past, and thousands of people have availed themselves of what is a rapid, and certainly seems to be a safe, means of transit between Dey-street and Thirty-first-street. The Company is now extending the track to the Battery, and expects soon to run trains over the entire length of the road in ten minutes. It is also proposed to roof over the sidewalk from the track to the neighboring buildings, and thus supply a new and elevated sidewalk, on which a second-story of shop-fronts can open. If these improvements are successfully made, we may be sure that other elevated roads will be built, and that we shall not be compelled to wait forever upon the slow movements of the projected under-ground roads.

If anybody has the power, and can use it without bankrupting the City Treasury, it might not be amiss to have the street lamps cleaned occasionally. In Broadway, Fifth-avenue, and in the public squares, the lamps are kept reasonably clean, but in many streets the glasses are so coated with dirt as to make the gas-lights behind them of little practical benefit to anybody but the gas companies, which are paid $80 per annum for each of these dimmed illuminators. As we must pay for the lighting of the streets, we can see no reason why we should have them in darkness for lack of an occasional visit from a lamp-cleaner.

The Poor Children.

We publish the following from the Children's Aid Society:

We acknowledge very gratefully the receipt of the following sums for the poor children in answer to the appeal so kindly made in the TIMES, besides other sums which we have acknowledged personally.

C. L. BRACE, Secretary.

Proprietors of the TIMES	$100 00
May and Clara	5 00
Husband and wife, and A. and A.	17 00
Madame P.	5 00
Mrs. C., (sick children's fund)	5 00
M. L. Roberts	7 00
J. T. Van R.	50 00
Rev. H. McK.	50 00
Cash, gold, $5, and bill, $5	10 00
Cash	1 00
Contents of little "Marion's box"	98
Marion's mamma	10 00
R——, Perry-street	5 00
J. D., Canal-street	25 00
C. S. & Co., Canal-street	25 00
John H., Canal-street	10 00
From two little children	10 00
A friend truly, would it were more	5 00
E. B., South Salem	5 00
Total	$281 13

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

MME. LUCCA AT THE ACADEMY.

"Die Lustigen Weiber von Windsor," a musical setting of a German version of "The Merry Wives," which has long been popular in Germany, and is well known in England and Italy, was sung at the Academy, last evening, with Mme. Lucca in the principal part. The libretto, it is only necessary to say, adheres pretty closely to the play. Nicolai's music is fluent and graceful, rich in color rather than sparkling, and quite admirable in point of orchestration. We cannot say that complete justice was done either the story or the score by last night's work; but there was, nevertheless, much to commend in the representation. Mme. Lucca's personation of *Mrs. Ford* would in itself have made ample amends for a far less satisfactory rendition than was offered. The artist, as the reader who has watched the record of the season's incidents need scarcely be told, has been thoroughly at ease, both as a songstress and an actress, in each of the very distinct characters she has essayed before local audiences; but no one will be surprised to learn that German text, a German score, and German stage traditions are, of all texts, scores and traditions those least likely to dismay her. Mme. Lucca approved herself, as was anticipated, an equally good *comédienne* and vocalist, from the opening duet, in which the mischief-making dames exchange notes concerning *Sir John's* conceit, to the harmonious trio at the close of the third act. In respect of acting, *Mrs. Ford's* comic grief, and her subsequent anger at her husband's jealousy, shown in the finale of act the first, supplied to Mme. Lucca the most appreciable opportunities for an assertion of her histrionic talent; the florid passages in the same very elaborate part of the opera; the exquisately-written recitative and aria, with its brilliant cabaletta, in which, in the earlier portion of the first act, *Mrs. Ford* details her plan of action against the fat knight, and the terzetto above named, made clear the skill of the singer and the beauty of her voice. Mme. Lucca was recalled after the first act, and thrice summoned before the foot-lights when the curtain had fallen after the third. The lady was assisted by Herr Hermanns, who pictured *Falstaff*; by Herr Vierling, who represented *Ford*; by Miss Henne, who assumed the rôle of *Mrs. Page*; by Miss Doria, who was *Anne Page*, and by Herren Graf, Weinlich, and Reichard. Herr Graf sang the romance in the second act—a delicately-treated theme, with a violin obligato, neatly executed by Mr. Matzka—with considerable taste. The performances of the other artists do not call for extended criticism; those of Herr Vierling and of Miss Doria were meritorious, but the general rehearsal bore evidence of the difficulty experienced in gathering, at a few days' notice, a German troupe worthy of appearing with a prima donna like Mme. Lucca. There will be no representation, we have to mention, Friday. Saturday, a matinée rendering of "Il Trovatore" will terminate the supplementary week of the season.

OPERA BOUFFE.

Mlle. Aimée and her opera bouffe troupe will sing in "Barbe Bleue" at the Olympic Theatre, this evening.

The Boston Election—Indications of Fraudulent Counting.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Mayor Gaston's plurality in the recent election is 362. On this subject the *Journal* of this morning says: "It was evident in the early part of the day that Ward Two was not making honest returns of the state of the polls. At the 2 o'clock count this ward gave 680 for Gaston and 230 for Pierce. At the close of the polls the returns from this ward gave Gaston 1,449 and Pierce 328, showing a vote in two hours of over six a minute. Later in the evening, when the chances of Mr. Pierce's election improved, a final report was sent in as the condition of the polls at 4 o'clock, when they closed, and the 1,449 votes for Gaston had crept up to 1,512, while Mr. Pierce's reached 399. The vote reported at 2 o'clock was either false, or they cast votes at the rate of ten a minute during the last two hours."

Personal.

Gen. Wm. D. Washburne, of Minnesota; Senator Frank Smith, of Toronto; Hon. H. B. Sargent, General Superintendent of the Michigan Central Railroad; Mayor J. N. Knapp, of Auburn; Hon. C. C. Gilman, of Iowa; Lieut. J. E. Ide, of the United States Army; Judge A. Ferriss, of Glen's Falls, and Dr. Campbell, of Liverpool, England, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Gen. Byron Laflin and Col. C. H. Carlton, of the United States Army, and James Fraser, of Toronto, are at the Grand Central Hotel.

Francis B. Hayes, of Boston, is at the Brevoort House.

William J. McAlpine, of Pittsfield, Mass., is at the Hoffman House.

Another Large English Fortune Looked For.

From the Louisville (Ky.) Commercial, Dec. 9.

Yesterday B. F. Chase, Esq., of this city, received intelligence that the great English chancery suit of Tomley vs. Chase heirs, involving an estate worth $23,000,000 sterling, or about $260,000,000, which has been in the Courts of London for the last thirty years, has been decided in favor of the Chase heirs, who number about 100. Daniel Webster was at one time counsel for the American Chase heirs, and Robert Peel and Sir John Russell once endeavored to make a compromise with the heirs through Mr. Russell.

Outstanding Bonds of South Carolina.

From the Columbia (S. C.) Phœnix, Dec. 7.

It is rumored that a statement has been prepared by the late Controller-General, which gives the following as the amount of bonds of the State outstanding July 21, 1872: State capital bonds, $897,000; bonds for the redemption of Bank of State bills, $1,066,700; bonds of the Blue Ridge, $970,000; bonds for the redemption of bills receivable, $600,000; bonds for the payment of the interest on the public debt, $1,752,000; bonds for the relief of Treasury, $600,000; conversion bonds, $7,500,000; bonds for land commission, $697,000; funding bonds of act of 1868, $1,130,500. Total, $15,964,600.

COMMITTEE OF SEVENTY

Mayor Hall Severely Censured for His Recent Appointments.

An Indignant Protest Unanimously Adopted—E. Delafield Smith Called Upon to Resign.

A very important meeting of the Committee of Seventy was held last evening in their rooms. Mr. James M. Brown, the newly-elected Chairman, presided for the first time, and made a graceful acknowledgment of thanks for the honor conferred, and hoped the members would, before separating, give expression to their sentiments regarding the action of the only undeposed member of the late Ring, who seems to be devoting the few remaining days of his official career to fastening upon the City Government officers not in sympathy or in harmony with the Mayor elect, and to setting at defiance, under color of law, the twice-expressed verdict of the people at the polls.

A communication was read from Mr. Charles Crary, member of Assembly elect from the Twenty-first District, resigning from the Committee, and saying: "As a member of the Committee, I did what I could to further the objects they have in view. I hope to continue those efforts, and trust my course in the Legislature will meet the approval of the Committee and the people."

Hon. Edward Salomon, Chairman of the Committee on Legislation, in making his report of the preliminary doings of that subcommittee, asked for an expression of opinion, in view of the early meeting of the Legislature, and the Committee, on motion of Mr. D. Willis James, adopted a resolution unanimously, "that the policy of this Committee is to stand aloof from all party schemes, approving of all laws which will tend to give to the City a good government and substantial reforms, and disapproving of all schemes which look to party aggrandisement."

The question of the course of Mayor Hall making appointments to office on the eve of his retirement from public place was then considered. On this matter there was but one opinion, although some twenty members made short and earnest addresses, among them Messrs. Howard Potter, Jackson S. Schultz, William H. Neilson, Edmund R. Robinson, James M. Halstead, Joseph H. Choate, Jonathan Sturges, and George W. Lane. The whole subject was referred to the three first-named gentlemen, and in a short time they reported the following:

A PROTEST.

The Committee of Seventy, in the name of the Reform voters of the City, protest against the recent action of Mayor Hall in making vacancies in important offices of the City Government by conspiring with others, as we believe, to procure the resignation of his own appointees, and then appointing other persons acceptable to himself in their places for the term of four years.

A decent regard for the opinions of mankind should have induced him to have spent the brief remnant of his official days, after the election of his successor, in humiliation and repentance for his official sins, frusted of thus outraging public sentiment, and grossly abusing the power remaining in his hands.

We object to the action complained of, because, while under indictment for grave official delinquencies, and condemned by the general judgment of his fellow-citizens for his complicity with the great frauds which have disgraced the City and loaded it with debt, he is a wholly unfit person to have the selection of those who shall administer our Municipal affairs in the interests of reform, and is not likely to appoint those whom its friends will approve, because his appointment of such officers for a long term of years, in the last days of his own term, is a fraudulent and unwarrantable encroachment upon the rights of his successor, who has been charged by the people with the chief responsibility of the future government of the City, and because such action is likely, as it is doubtless intended, to baffle and thwart the new City and State Governments in that thorough and radical renovation and reform of our Municipal affairs which the people demand from them. It is, therefore,

Resolved, That in view of the report that Mayor Hall is intending, before retiring from office, to arrange still further vacancies in other important offices, and to fill them with persons of his own selection, it is, in our judgment, the duty of all honest citizens who, in good faith, desire the complete reform of the City, to refuse to accept any office by his appointment.

Resolved, That we appeal to the Legislature which is to assemble in January to pay no heed whatever to this action of the Mayor and to those censurable changes, by which one set of his appointees is substituted for another, but to make thorough work with all the departments of the City Government, and to let no incumbent stand in the way who may owe his office to this unjust and unworthy action of the retiring Mayor.

Resolved, That E. Delafield Smith shall fall to place his resignation of his office as Corporation Counsel in the hands of the Mayor elect, immediately on his installation into office, public opinion will be justified in deeming such omission on Mr. Smith's part as evidence of his having obtained the position by corrupt collusion, and of his determination to retain it in defiance of public sentiment and in disregard of the public good.

The report as presented by the Committee was unanimously adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

Mr. Thurlow Weed's Suggestion of an Elector.

From the Albany Journal, Dec. 10.

The recent meeting of the Presidential Electoral College in this city recalls an incident which occurred in the last Republican State Convention at Utica. The nomination of Gen. Dix for Governor, as will be seen by the incident we are about to mention, was not the only good thing inspired by Mr. Weed, who, although in retirement, was unexpectedly, while on a visit to the late Gov. Seward, chosen a delegate from the Assembly District in which he resides. Among the names of well-known Republicans that occurred to delegates as suitable to be placed on the ticket for Electors at large, was that of Mr. Weed. But it was known that it consulted on the subject, he would peremptorily decline, and, therefore, the thing was to be done "on the sly."

A delegate, however, shortly before the Convention reached that order of business, dropped into Mr. Weed's room and let out the secret. Mr. Weed immediately sent for several influential delegates, who, he well knew, must be at the bottom of the movement, and to whom he thus said: "This is very kind in you, and I appreciate the honor so highly that if I do not suggest a better name I will consent to leave the Convention to do as it pleases." His friends admitted that this was fair, but expressed doubts whether any other name would be as acceptable. Mr. Weed replied that he felt assured that they would cordially approve of the name he was about to suggest, adding that, "in his judgment the best name in the State, to be associated with Gerrit Smith as a candidate for Elector at Large, was that of Frederick Douglass." This was received with great satisfaction by Mr. Weed's friends, and was responded to by acclamations in the Convention.

The nomination of Gen. Dix for Governor, and that of Frederick Douglass for Presidential Elector, possessed national significance. Gen. Dix struck the first blow, after ringing tones from the Union in his order to "shoot the first man who attempts to haul down the American flag." Frederick Douglass, who possessed not only the courage to emancipate himself from slavery but the intelligence and industry to raise himself to an intellectual equality with the most gifted of our more favored race, had fairly earned the distinction which his nomination conferred.

Such a recognition by the Republicans of the Empire State of a reputable and enlightened freedman, appealed forcibly and successfully to colored electors throughout the Union. And the Electoral College, with appreciative good sense, perfected the idea by designating Mr. Douglass as the messenger to convey the vote of New-York to Washington.

The Stoppage of Jersey City's Water Supply.

The sudden stoppage of the water supply of Jersey City, on Tuesday night, led to considerable consternation among the citizens. The strong wind blowing on Tuesday drove the ice into the gate-house and on the screen through which the water is filtered into the mains. When it was decided to close the gate-house and turn off the water, it was found that the slots, which worked in grooves, had been blocked with the ice and could not be worked. The ice, therefore, which filled the gate-house, was covered with water in such a way that it was impossible to work to advantage at the same time that the ice commenced to accumulate. A large force of men was set at work to break up the ice, and yesterday the water commenced to flow through, so that it could be drawn from hydrants in the cellars in the lower portion of the city. The work was continued all day until evening, when so much headway had been gained that water could be secured in all sections of the city, though it did not run under the usual pressure. Up to 10 o'clock none, the progress had been so slow that it was feared it would be necessary to resort to extreme measures. In order to be prepared in case of an emergency, Gen. Newton was sent for, and it was intended, had there not been a prospect of securing a supply last evening, to blow up the entire gate-house.

The difficulty is now at an end, however, and efforts will now be made to protect the gate-house at the reservoir so as to make a repetition of the accident impossible.

JAPAN.

Intended Establishment of an Elective Parliament.

From the San Francisco Morning Bulletin, Dec. 4.

Friday's mail from Japan contains an item of news of an important and interesting character, and which appears to effectually dispose of the statements that a reactionary influence has set in among the rulers of that Empire. The announcement is made that next month an elective Parliament is to be established. This is to consist of 600 members, and there are to be two Houses, but whether both will be elective was not at the time of the departure of the mail clearly understood. The particulars which have reached us concerning this advance to popular representative government are somewhat meagre, but the statement is explicit that the Mikado and his ministers have determined that henceforth the people shall have a voice in public affairs. For the past three years there has been a Parliament so called composed of fifty nominated members, with a President at their head. The first treaty of commercial alliance between the United States and Japan was signed in March, 1854. In 1858 Nagasaki and Hakodadi were opened to European commerce. It was not until after nine years intercourse with foreigners that Japan gave signs of adopting many of the elements of Western civilization. The Japanese have since introduced into their country the steam-engine, the telegraph, and a national system of education; all steps on the road to freedom; and with a judgment and foresight for which but little credit was given them at the time, as preparatory for the great changes since adopted, they took all the power from the hereditary nobles, and invested it in the Mikado, the Supreme Sovereign, and his ministers. The journal thus concludes an editorial on the announcement of this introduction of the Parliamentary system:

"It is an experiment of the deepest interest; and nothing that has yet been done by the Government is so big with mighty consequences as this. Surely all praise is due to the Government which has led the people, step by step, to freedom, and who now place so large an amount of power in their hands."

Among the intelligence received by this mail, also, is another proof that Japan intends to continue on its onward march. It is announced that the Government has issued a decree removing one of the greatest stains on their national policy, killing effectually the Yoshiwarra system, and making the sale of young females for the purposes of prostitution illegal under severe penalties.

THE SWINDLED ITALIANS.

The Government Called Upon to Put a Stop to the Emigration Business—Letter to Secretary Fish.

The penniless Italians who arrived in this City by the steamer Italy, on Monday, are wandering aimlessly about the City, and obtaining their support at Castle Garden. The Commissioners of Emigration have addressed the following letter to the Hon. Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State:

OFFICES OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1872.

To Hon. Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.:

SIR: The undersigned, a Committee of the Board of Commissioners of Emigration of the State of New-York, desire to call your attention to the arrival at this port of a large number of destitute Italian emigrants, and the circumstances under which these persons left their own country.

The facts in the case, as set forth in the accompanying affidavits, are as follows:

From the investigation made by the Commissioners of Emigration and the Consul-General of the Italian Government, Mr. Ferdinand De Luca, it appears that certain shipping agents doing business in Genoa, Naples, and other Italian seaports, made representations to persons that employment, at good wages, largely in excess of what they could obtain in their own country, was to be had in the United States immediately on their arrival, and by such means induced them so come here.

These emigrants, to the number of 1,507, arrived as follows: Nov. 8, per steam-ship Denmark, 38; Nov. 15, per steam-ship Holland, 82; Nov. 18, per steam-ship City of London, 73; Dec. 4, per steam-ship City of Washington, 127; Dec. 6, per steam-ship City of Montreal, 60; Dec. 9, per steam-ship Italy, 840.

Unaccustomed to the rigors of a northern climate, and without means or employment, a large number of them have become a charge to the Commissioners of Emigration.

This is a heavy burden on the resources of this Department, always at this season, owing to the cessation of agricultural labor in the Winter months, taxed to the uttermost to provide food and shelter for the average proportion of emigrants arrived during the preceding five years who may, and every Winter, do, claim relief from the emigrant fund, by reason of sickness or destitution.

To save these unfortunate Italians from much suffering, the Commissioners were compelled to receive into their institutions, already overcrowded, over 350 of the passengers of the steam-ship Holland immediately on their landing at Castle Garden, and they anticipate having to support until next Spring the greater part of the whole number.

The Legislature of this State, in fixing the commutation fee or per capita tax on alien emigrants (now $1 50,) anticipated that only a small percentage of the emigrants would become a charge on the fund, while in the case of these passengers arrived per steam-ship Holland, nearly fifty per cent. are already receiving support.

The Consul-General, who has shown every disposition to aid the Commissioners in investigating the matter, has already communicated with his Government on the subject, but says that any statement which may be made by it will probably be received with suspicion by the people, as proceeding by a desire to check emigration. He therefore suggests, as more likely to effect the purpose in view, the publication, by the United States Legation at Rome, in the various newspapers in Italy, of an official circular, informing intending emigrants of the fraudulent character of the representations made by the shipping agents in these cases, and advising them against embarking at this season of the year, on account of the harshness of our northern climate and the difficulty of obtaining employment at the present time, unless provided with sufficient cash means to support themselves during the Winter. In addition to the number of these destitute immigrants already arrived, the Commissioners are informed that there are on the way to this port, under like circumstances, some 800 more.

As these shipping agents are, doubtless, continuing this business, in order to put a stop to it, at the earliest possible moment the Commissioners of Emigration would respectfully request that, if not inconsistent with the regulations of the State Department, any instructions you may deem proper to send to the United States Legation at Rome, in reference to this matter, be sent by telegraph.

We have the honor to remain, very respectfully, your obedient servants,

GEORGE J. FORREST,
SIGISMUND KAUFMANN,
JAMES LYNCH,
Special Committee.

The Bible in the Schools.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Permit me to suggest to those of our fellow-citizens throughout the State who desire to retain the "Holy Scriptures without note or comment" in our public schools, notwithstanding the recent adverse decision of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, an appeal to the Legislature for the insertion of a clause in the State Common School law corresponding substantially to the following, which, for more than a quarter of a century past, has precluded the expulsion of the Bible from our City schools. It constitutes section 18 of the School act of this City, and has been in existence since 1844:

"No school shall be entitled to or receive any portion of the school moneys in which the religious doctrines or tenets of any particular Christian or other religious sect shall be taught, inculcated, or practiced, or in which any book or books containing compositions favorable or prejudicial to the particular doctrines or tenets of any particular Christian or other religious sect, or which shall teach the doctrines or tenets of any other religious sect. . . . But *nothing herein contained shall authorize the Board of Education to exclude the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, or any selections therefrom, from any of the schools provided for by this act*; but it shall not be competent for the said Board of Education to decide what version, if any, of the Holy Scriptures, *without note or comment*, shall be used in any of the schools. Provided that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to violate the rights of conscience as secured by the Constitution of this State and of the United States."

S. S. RANDALL.

MORRISANIA, Monday, Dec. 9, 1872.

Gen. Dix at the Soldiers' Fair.

The Governor-elect last evening visited the Fair held in Republican Hall, in aid of the widows and orphans of the soldiers of the late war. The bas-reliefs for the soldiers' monument in Green-Wood appeared to interest the distinguished visitor, as did also a likeness of himself in military uniform, which was on exhibition at one of the tables. A letter was also found for him in the "Post-office," which he accepted, and paid the postal charge to the Postmistress, saying that "he knew something about the way post-offices were conducted." While he was walking around a pretty little girl advanced from the floral temple, and presented him with a large, handsome bouquet, which gift was rewarded with a kiss. Having made several purchases, the General quietly slipped out by the door alone, and disappeared before half the visitors had known that he had been present.

OUR MONETARY EVILS.

Suggestions by Mr. Henry Clews—His Recommendations Concerning Freedom in Banking, as to Circulation, as to Reserves, and as to Rate of Interest.

Mr. Henry Clews, the well-known banker, has published a very clear and interesting brochure, entitled *Our Monetary Evils: Suggestions for their Remedy*. In the introduction he points out the alternating stringency and ease in the money market.

Every Winter, he says, money is a drug at the financial centre, and every Spring it becomes so scarce as to cause much inconvenience; in the Summer it again accumulates to the extent of superabundance, and in the late Fall the supply is inadequate, the waste of the interior can be only partially supplied, and that at the expense of panic in Wall-street. During the periods of ease, speculation takes unbounded license, and the prices of securities are forced up beyond their intrinsic value, while the stringency compels a wholesale realizing, with the result of a fall in prices below the real merits of the securities, and consequent failures and general alarm. These wide fluctuations in stock values furnish the main aliment to the demoralizing speculations of the Stock Exchange, and attract the ablest financial talent of the country into an employment little better in its morals or its results than that of the faro-bank. These, however, are by no means the worst consequences of the violent oscillations in our money market. None are benefited by the periods of extreme ease; for, as money centres here in seasons of abundance only because it is not wanted in the interior, the producing and mercantile classes outside this City derive little or no advantage from the low rates; and those among our local capitalists who may be tempted into business by the temporary cheapness of loans soon find themselves embarrassed by a period of panic. But, on the other hand, in the seasons of stringency, all sections sympathize with the derangements at New-York. The marketing of the crops is obstructed. The produce merchants of the West and the cotton merchants of the South cannot procure sufficient currency for buying the crops from the farmer and the planter; they are embarrassed in carrying their stocks of produce from the insufficiency of bank facilities in the interior to get adequate rediscounts of paper at New-York, and have, therefore, to forego legitimate operations, or to realize at a disadvantage. As a consequence of this lack of credit and monetary facilities for marketing the crops, the farmers find trouble to settle with the store-keepers, and the store-keepers with the interior jobbers; and irregularities in the settlements of country merchants with the distributing houses of the seaboard cities are the winding up of this series of derangements.

Mr. Clews traces these difficulties, which he explains still more minutely, to the limitations placed around our banking system, with the excellent motive of giving security to business men, but which he claims defeat that object. The following is the substance of his argument:

The panics which now occur two or three times a year are directly traceable to the enactments relating to the reserves of the National Banks. The law demands that, in the large cities, each bank shall hold at all times an amount of lawful money equal to not less than one-fourth of its circulating notes and deposits combined, and imposes the penalty of liquidation upon persistent violation of that regulation. It is important to note closely how this law operates; for it is the most fruitful source of disturbance of the money market. 1. It fixes an arbitrary limit to the loans of the banks. The proceeds of loans and discounts immediately become deposits, and it therefore follows that when the deposits and circulation have reached the limit prescribed by the reserves, no further expansion of loans can be made without augmenting the deposits beyond their lawful proportions to the reserves. 2. This results in this vicious circle: as loans fall to the minimum amount allowed by law, there is an end to any further accommodation to the customers of the banks, a condition of things as conducive to panic as anything can be conceived to be. 3. It causes a precautionary reservation of the means of the banks. When the reserves are approaching the legal minimum and trouble is foreseen, the customers of the banks having large accounts request that a certain amount of resources be reserved for them, in case they may happen to need it; this accommodation, however, is rarely called for by the customers, and the time thus prevented from extending facilities to others which would materially relieve the market. But for the fears excited by the near approach to the legal limit of the reserves, these precautions would be unnecessary. 4. The reserve law also affords the strongest temptation to the bank managers of local leaders in furtherance of mischievous speculations. The speculator has an inalienable right to do what he pleases with his money, and no conventional expedients nor any legal enactments can prevent him from exercising that right; no matter how much he may injure others in so doing. Strange to say, however, the law as it now stands puts a high premium on his withdrawing his millions of "greenbacks" from use on the market. It takes it in the highest degree profitable for him to realize on all his securities and lock up the lawful money proceeds, that he may thereby use his influence over a bank of loans; and it gives him a power and a certainty of success in such operations which he can find under no other circumstances. The moment the banks have touched the limit of their reserves, there is no further expansion of loans possible; and, if the reserves are once reduced, the banks have to call in loans to reinforce their reserves; all that the speculator has to do, therefore, is to withdraw a few millions of "greenbacks" from the banks, and immediately the loans are contracted, with a consequent scramble upon money, the suspension of discounts, and all the miscliefs of panic. Were it not for the law thus placing an inflexible limit upon the operations of the banks, and thereby rendering them powerless, the speculator could never know the amount of reserve he would have to encounter, from the elasticity of the bank resources, and would never dream of running a fill with the combined force of all the banks. His sole assurance of success lies in the law having fixed a limit to banking, which, when once reached, the situation is placed wholly under his control; the only danger to his scheme being from the possibility of extraneous aid coming to the market through intervention of the Treasury; which, however, rarely appears until the mischief has been accomplished. 4. The dread of an unsafe reduction of the reserves keeps up a constant anxiety in the money market at those seasons when money usually is active. The reserve law places conspicuously before the public eye a clearly defined line, on reaching which there is sure to be panic; and, as the means of obtaining credit is so intentionally fixed as to create a condition of distrust calculated to give the utmost possible effect to the locking-up operations of the "bears." 5. The severity of these effects falls with special weight upon the mercantile interests. The Stock Exchange firms have learned to provide against the regularly recurring spasms by time loans extending over the period of pressure, or by borrowing bills of exchange and realizing upon them; and the banks, in view of possible panic, are forced to make loans upon collaterals, which they can call in at will; so that it not unfrequently happens that prices at the Stock Exchange stand firm throughout the severest stringency. But merchants can take no such precaution for their protection; they have to apply for discounts when they receive their paper; and applying when the pressure is virtually upon them, and unable to extending their operations, or when the law is compelling a contraction of loans, they have to wait until the storm has subsided. It is, therefore, a serious misconception to suppose, as many do, that our ever-recurring panics affect only Wall-street interests. The worst forms of injury fall upon the commercial and industrial classes of the country at large, and produce incalculable mischief.

Next, the question arises, are there any advantages growing out of the regulations relative to bank reserves which so far compensate for their mischievous results as to justify the continuance of the restrictions? 1. It is very generally supposed that these compulsory reserves afford security. If what has been said above be true, as to their effects upon credit operations at large, the restrictions certainly afford no security to the community generally. They are a most fruitful source of insecurity in all commercial operations dependent upon the money market. 2. It will perhaps be said that the reserves secure the bank-note holders. But what need is there for protecting that class of bank creditors, when the Government holds bonds in their behalf (to the extent of twenty per cent. in market value) in excess of the amount of the notes? 3. It will be urged that this reserve is necessary for the protection of the depositors. But what protection can there be to this class when the twenty-five per cent. reserve cannot be used for paying their claims without exposing the bank to being placed in the hands of a receiver? As the law stands, depositors cannot enforce their claims upon the bank, when it holds nothing beyond the lawful reserve, without exposing it to liquidation—a rather tardy method of creditors getting their money, and not by any means calculated to insure their payment in full. But, conceding that the reserves did afford any really important security to the depositors, it would be a poor satisfaction to a merchant to know that his bank balance was protected, if the law that insured the safety was at the same time embarrassing his customers, rendering his notes unacceptable, depreciating his merchandise, and causing a general blockade of credit operations. 4. It is imagined that the reserve law provides a protection against periods of panic. True, it causes a certain amount of cash to be held back, which might be of the utmost efficacy in staying the progress of panic, could it be used; but the law is indirectly inconsistent with its purpose in prohibiting the reserve from being used, even in the utmost exigency, and thereby becomes the most dangerous of all sources of panic, instead of being the remedy. 5. Besides, it is very apparent how it becomes the business of the Government, to protect their depositors. In the case of a currency, which, for the convenience of business, is made equal to the value of the money of ultimate redemption in the country, the Government may perform very valuable services in fully protecting the noteholders. But deposits are a purely local affair. The depositor can satisfy himself as to the safety of the bank with which he places his funds, and would, perhaps, exercise all the more scrutiny on that point were he not led to depend upon this imperfect and misleading legal protection. He no more needs protection in the matter of employing his idle funds than in selling his goods on credit, or in lending his money, or in dealing with a private banker, or in any other way placing his property in the hands of a second party. What excuse then is there for the Government assuming the function of protector of the bank depositor; especially seeing that, in doing this, it causes so much mischief to banking and commercial interests at large? 6. The truth is that the bank much better understands how to protect its depositors than the Government does; and has equally potent motives for doing so. No intelligently-managed bank would conduct its business without providing a reserve fund in lawful money to provide for a special demand from its depositors; and probably that reserve would, if left to the discretion of the banks, be equal, ordinarily, to that now required by the law. But, if untrammeled by legal enactments, the bank would make its reserve in periods of pressure, for the purposes for which it was maintained, and thereby aid its customers to stave off the mischiefs of panic, trusting for the return of its reserve when the inevitable reaction toward ease occurred.

We are led to the conclusion, therefore, that one of the first regulations for a sound condition of the money market and the avoidance of our periodic panics is the removal of all legal restrictions upon the reserves of the banks, leaving each bank to determine, from the character of its own specific requirements, how much reserve it is needful for it to maintain, and free to use its reserve whenever occasion requires. This is no more freedom than is accorded to the private banker, and apparently with perfect safety; it is no more liberty than the merchant is allowed in the management of his business; and unless our bank managers are to be untrusted by the law as most discreditably incompetent, it is a degree of liberty entirely compatible with perfect safety to the creditors of the banks.

Experience has proved that our monetary system needs greater elasticity. At those periods, when large amounts of ready money are required for purchasing the crops from the farmers and planters, much inconvenience is always experienced in procuring the currency requisite for those movements. The circulation has to be drawn from the financial centres, with the result of an injurious tightness of money there; and after procuring all that is obtainable at those points, it is yet found that the supply is inadequate, and the forwarding of the crops is consequently interfered with, to the great injury of the farming classes. As our bank currency is in all respects as good a circulating medium as could be desired, it seems to be only necessary that the banks should be left free to issue whatever amount of notes they find to be required by the legitimate needs of business; always provided that the notes so issued be secured, at at present, by the deposit of Government bonds at Washington. The fact that all the issues had to be covered by a deposit of bonds, would effectually neutralize any liability to a redundancy of this form of circulation, which, as a further check upon over-issues, Congress should see to it that provision is made at New-York, and perhaps also at some other redemption cities, for an agency in connection with the local Clearing-house, through which the banks could have their bank-notes assorted and sent to the issuers or their redemption agents for redemption. By this means, the note circulation could be sent back to the issuing bank when it was not wanted, and with these important results: the periodic redundance of money at this centre would be prevented, and unhealthy speculation held in check, and the country banks would hold in their vaults a supply of their own notes to meet the wants of their customers when currency is required for crop movements, rendering them less dependent upon supplies of money from the Eastern money centres. How admirably such an arrangement would work has been demonstrated conclusively by the operation of the Suffolk Bank system—than which nothing has proved better calculated to insure, at the same time, conservative bank management and adequate banking accommodation to the public. By removing the existing restrictions as to the amount of note issues, ample currency accommodation would be provided against the most extreme requirements; and by enforcing the redemption of the notes in periods of redundancy of circulation, a wholesome contraction would be insured; under such arrangements we would never have either too little or too much circulation, and the rate of interest would be kept comparatively even. It is respectfully submitted that in no other way could we secure a more natural or more perfect elasticity in the circulating medium of the country.

Mr. Clews also recommends the repeal of the Usury laws, arguing that if all our banks and bankers were free to ask more than the present legal rates, they would at once come into competition with those who now, in evasion of the law, obtain rates varying from 10 to 300 per cent. per annum, and this increase of competition would prevent usurious charges, and benefit at the same time the leading borrowing classes. He concludes:

To recapitulate; the measures which I would respectfully suggest as calculated to place our monetary affairs upon a steadier and more natural basis are:

1. The removal or the amelioration of the existing restrictions upon the reserves of the national banks.

2. Free issues of bank currency, upon deposits of bonds at Washington, as at present.

3. Effective arrangements for insuring the contraction of the bank-note circulation, through redemption, in seasons of undue abundance of money; and,

4. The utter abolition of the Usury laws.

FASHIONS FOR DECEMBER.

La Follet says: The dark colors worn this Winter are, generally speaking, much more becoming to the complexion than the effective shades in vogue earlier in the season. The olive-greens, though not in themselves pretty, are very elegant when employed in the toilet; the other shades of green, such as bottle, beetle, lizard, and duck, are very much more beautiful and richer in effect. Garnet, claret, and amethyst are splendid colors for rich materials, such as velvet, satin, or thick silks. In brown, the bronze tones, the bronze doré, pain brûlé, and chamois, are the favorite tints. Among the grays, the shades known as mouse, flax, and Russian are the most sought after.

For evening and in-door wear, the faded tints, such as cinnamon, the silk, then lace, nymphe pink, &c., are still à la mode; but, as the Winter advances, and ball-dresses are required, it is very probable that more brilliant colorings will come into fashion, especially for young ladies.

The evening dresses for receptions, &c., are made with very long trains—in fact, all in-door dresses are made with long skirts, more or less trained. Visiting dresses also have long skirts, if for ceremonious occasions. These are very much trained, the ras-sarre and short skirts being strictly reserved for the promenade.

An immense quantity of fur is worn, silver fox being the favorite at the moment. Some velvet wraps are entirely lined with fur, and are extremely comfortable and warm.

The Genoa and Lyons velvets worn this Winter are magnificent in quality and coloring, including green, amethyst, crimson, and claret being the favorite colors.

Bodices, with real or simulated waistcoats, are still in very great favor, and likely to continue so; it is a most becoming and elegant style. Some of the waistcoats are made so long as to give the appearance of a tablier; this is especially the case with any of the polonaises so much worn.

For dress, points are much worn to bodices; one deep point at the back, another under each arm, and one or two in front, is the newest style. If the dress is trimmed with anything drooping, such as lace or fringe, this ornament should be placed one round the waist and points.

Those ladies who prefer tight-fitting coverings out of doors generally have small pèlerines to accompany their pofonaises or cosaques, either of the same material or velvet. Some cosaques of cloth are made in the "Princesse" form—that is, the corsage and skirt cut in one, without any plaiting or drapery; this is very becoming to an elegant figure, but should be strictly avoided by any lady inclined to embonpoint.

Dress-sleeves for day wear are coat-shaped or quite tight-fitting, with the cuff worn outside. This is an old fashion, whose revival we gladly welcome; it has a peculiarly ladylike and distingué appearance.

There are many varieties of the open sleeve, for more dressy toilettes; none so elegant as the "Marquise," tight to the elbow, with frills of lace.

New shapes in bonnets are constantly making their appearance, some excessively outré in form and trimmings, others quieter and more becoming. One thing is certain, viz.: that since the alteration is the way of dressing the hair, they are decidedly larger, and are worn much more off the face than formerly. Modifications of the shapes known as "Rubens," "Marie," and "Rabagas," are the best worn; they almost all have long ends of lace and watered ribbon over the back hair, with feathers or flowers, or a combination of the two ornaments on the crown.

There is so little difference in the shape and trimmings of bonnets and hats that one can easily be worn to represent the other by the simple addition or subtraction of the strings. The hats are worn a little forwarder on the face than the bonnets, but not on the forehead, as formerly.

Some very elegant veils are worn, giving the appearance of a mantilla; they are simply long scarves of lace or figured net, fastened at the back and brought forward again on to the chest, where it is fastened. This is by no means a very new fashion, as it has made its appearance before; but, now the face is so much more exposed, it is in great favor.

CANADA.

The Question of Public Subsidies—Completion of the Arrangements for Organization.

TORONTO, Dec. 11.—The *Mail* (Government organ) announces the completion of arrangements for the organization of a company to build the Canadian Pacific Railroad, authorized under the act of the last session of Parliament. Negotiations have resulted in an agreement to raise the necessary capital among the people of Canada, and to submit to such restrictions as will prevent the danger apprehended—that the control of the road and lands would fall into the hands of foreigners interested in a rival project. A Board of Directors, consisting of five from Quebec, five from Ontario, and one specially selected to represent the interests of the other provinces of the Dominion will be elected. Stock will be distributed in the same proportion, it being part of the scheme to open the books and offer to the general public in the rich provinces the entire amount. No Director will be allotted more than $100,000 worth of stock. The amount allotted to Ontario will be rather over $2,000,000; to Quebec, over $2,000,000, and to each of the other provinces, about $700,000. Care also will be taken that no successful attempt shall be made to monopolize stock in the hands of the Directors. It has been decided that no members of either House of Parliament will be placed on the Board, and that men of known wealth or great railway experience shall be intrusted with the management of the undertaking.

"Policy-Holder" Answered.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In view of the continued misrepresentations written or inspired by a person calling himself "Policy-holder," it may not be improper for me (one of the three Consulting Actuaries he refers to) to make a few counter statements and explanations.

He says "Consulting Actuaries are like consulting lawyers, and their opinions are the same as those of their employers." Disregarding the implied slur on the honorable profession of law, I will say that the statement is only true of Consulting Actuaries in so far as their opinions are generally privately ascertained before they are publicly endorsed. The opinions of myself and the two gentlemen just associated with me were positively expressed and known some time before we had the least expectation of receiving the letter addressed to us by the eighteen life insurance companies. If an Actuary should indorse any view not thoroughly his own, he would entirely lose the respect of his professional brethren.

In the morning's paper the same anonymous individual somewhat ponderously endeavors to show that we three gentlemen have previously expressed opposite views.

He tries to fortify himself by single sentences, taken from our previously published opinions, on questions not having the slightest relation to the one now at issue.

Thus, for example, Prof. Wright, in speaking of the advantages of low rates, was recommending that policy-holders should pay premiums during the whole term of their policies rather than commute them into single or ten annual payments. The extract, moreover, appears to be an intentional mutilation of the only similar passage I can find in his writings. Is not "Policy-holder's" misquotation as bad as a forgery?

Next, Mr. Homans, in the case of a certain new mutual Life Insurance Company is made to appear to have approved "rates reduced fully equal to those now proposed by the 'Mutual;'" this is positively false, for the rates of the former company, including both the cash and credit parts, were about the same as the present rates of the "Mutual" Life.

The extract from one of my own opinions has evidently no bearing on the case, as every intelligent reader will see, and therefore requires no explanation.

Any way, the whole question is far too serious to allow any weight to charges of slight inconsistency on the part of myself and friends.

The above are my professional remarks on the attacks on our professional opinions. As a private individual, long familiar with the improper management of the "Mutual" Life, I now declare that "Policy-holder's" articles are paid for and written, or directly inspired, and their insertion paid for, by one of those policy-holders who received a lion's share of the $180,000 falsely entered on the books as "dividends to policy-holders," and no one will dare to state to the contrary on oath.

A person down in Beaver-street, calling himself a "Consulting Actuary," has expressed an opinion favorable to the "Mutual" Life's course. As he gives no reason for his opinion, it has no support except his name, and, as for that, I may say that, four years ago, he resigned his position as Actuary in the only company with which I ever knew him to be connected. As I was its Consulting Actuary at the time, I know that it was for professional reasons, which, out of respect for his family and his gray hairs, I will not now state. Since that, I think he has not been employed by any company, unless it may be, within a few days past, by the "Mutual" Life.

Very respectfully,

D. P. PACKLER,
No. 233 Broadway.

Protest of the Policy-Holders of the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Hundreds of the policy-holders of the Mutual Life, who are opposed to the threatened experiment of that Company in the reduction of its rates, have signed the protest; and additional names are received by every mail in great numbers.

Persons in this City desiring to sign the same will find them at the following places:

Home Insurance Company, No. 135 Broadway.
Foster & Thomson, No. 40 Wall-street.
Park Bank, No. 214 Broadway.
Geo. W. Carleton, Fifth-avenue Hotel.
Frame, Hare & Lockwood, bankers, No. 202 Broadway.
Parker Handy, banker, No. 24 Nassau-street.
Geo. P. Putnam, book-seller, corner Fourth-avenue and Twenty-third-street.
J. W. Geery & Co., grocers, Thirty-fourth-street and Broadway.
S. M. Pettengill, No. 37 Park-row.

Safes Saved in the Boston Fire.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 11, 1872.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

SIR: Though entirely unnecessary to establish the superiority of Steam Safes, we submit the following testimonial.

Respectfully yours,

S. H. COLE, Manager.

OFFICE CHARLES B. LANCASTER, COMMISSIONER MERCHANT, BOOTS AND SHOES, No. 21 ELM-STREET, OVER-STREET, BOSTON, Nov. 18, 1872.

To American Steam Safe Company, S. H. Cole, Manager, N. Y. Depot, 238 Broadway:

I received only yesterday the contents of my Sanborn Steam Fire and Burglar-proof Safe, from the great fire of 10th inst., and am happy to inform you that they are in a very satisfactory condition. Books and paper only being in the least degree damaged; only the binding of some of the books being "cooked," which, I think, fully attest the value of your steam arrangement; for I am a witness that not a stream of water was played upon our entire block at any time during the fire, and as late as Monday P. M. there was fire in our cellar. After seeing my safe and its contents, I *would another of the same kind, but are more larger*, in order that we may dispose of more books and papers, which heretofore we have been obliged to keep outside the safe, and in the present case they are totally destroyed. On the burglar vault of the new safe I wish placed the combination-lock from the old one, (which we opened in the usual manner,) as a relic of the disaster, also as a testimony to the value of your safe. I feel fully repaid for the extra expense of the burglar-chest in addition to the other, and cannot too highly recommend it.

Gratefully yours,

CHAS. B. LANCASTER,
Late No. 116 Pearl-street.

A Town Without Either Collector or Receiver of Taxes.

The State Legislature last Winter passed an act creating a Receiver of Taxes for the town of Newtown, Queens County, and abolishing the office of Collector, which provided that Oliver Crooks, the incumbent in the latter office, should hold the position of Receiver for the ensuing three years. In the belief that the clause legislating Crooks into office was unconstitutional, the people last Spring elected Joseph A. Lawrence to the office of Receiver, and commenced an action on a writ of quo warranto to oust Crooks. The matter came before Judge Ingalls, in the Supreme Court at Albany, and last Monday he decided that the clause referred to was unconstitutional, but also held that as there was no vacancy in the office of Receiver at the time of the town election, Lawrence was not legally elected to that position, and could not assume it, which leaves the town without any person authorized to receive the taxes this year.

The Electoral Vote of Texas.

Four of the eight Electors chosen by the people of Texas met in Austin on the 4th inst., and filled up their number by appointing four substitutes for the absent members. The balloting resulted in a unanimous vote for Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana, for President, and Gov. B. Gratz Brown, of Missouri, for Vice-President.

Those who seek health, comfort, and thorough cleanliness should try the Russian, or Vapor, Bath at No. 25 East Fourth-street. These luxurious and popular Baths, by hardening and invigorating the skin, render all contagibility or taking cold impossible.—*Evening Mail.*

Nicol, Davidson & Co.,
No. 866 Broadway, factory No. 4 Great Jones-street, Manufacturers of FINE SILVER-PLATED WARE, good for fifteen years' service, offer a large assortment, either in whole or retail; also, China, Glass, and Gas Fixtures.—*Advertisement.*

Gentlemen After Shaving
Will find great comfort in the use of
HURBERT'S KALLISKON.—*Advertisement.*

Hoeboek's Weather Strips
Protect the interior of your house and office from the cold wind. Leave your orders at HOEBOCK'S, No. 58 Fulton-st., near City.—*Advertisement.*

HONOR TO THE VETERANS.—Honor also to the inventors whose genius have em

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

All the auctions expected to occur yesterday, Wednesday, Dec. 11, at the Exchange, took place, but the property disposed of in each instance sold cheap. The sales were all made under Court orders, and attracted considerable attention from those present, the attendance being large. The following is a review of the transactions:

Muller, Wilkins & Co., by order of the Court of Chancery, Vice, in foreclosure, under the direction of A. G. Vanderpool, Esq., referee, sold three-story and basement high-stoop Nova Scotia-stone-front house, partly finished, and lots each 20 by 80, situate on the east side of Madison-avenue, 19.11 feet south of One Hundred and Thirty-third-street, one for $12,000 and the other two for $11,050 each; purchaser, John A. Hayward, plaintiff in the legal action. Also, under the same decree, three similar houses and lots, on the west side of Madison-avenue, 19.11 feet north of One Hundred and Thirty-second-street, sold for $11,150 each, and purchased by the same named plaintiff. Also, two similar houses, (finished,) with lots same size, located in the same block, 19.11 feet south of One Hundred and Thirty-third-street, sold each for $11,000, and the other for $13,650, and purchased by Jerome B. Fellows. Joseph McGuire, by order of the Supreme Court, in foreclosure, Thomas H. Lathan, Esq., referee, sold two-story and attic frame and basement brown-stone-front house and lot, situate on the north side of East Sixty-eighth-street, 100 feet west of Fourth-avenue—lot 20 by 100.5—for $26,100, the purchaser being Frederick D. Tappen, President of the Gallatin National Bank. The only other sale made was one by James M. Miller, under a Supreme Court foreclosure order, Samuel Jones, Esq., referee, of the following leasehold property, (twenty years' lease of premises No. 60 Leonard-street, south side, between Church-street and West Broadway, embracing lot, in size 24.4 by 100, with five-story brown-stone front store and lofts, covering same, known and dated Feb. 1, 1853, with covenant for twenty years' renewal at appraised valuation of building, or the owner of lot to take building on valuation; ground rent, $2,000 per year; sold for $16,000, and purchased by John C. Sewell, plaintiff in suit. No other real estate business was transacted.

Today business will be light, as only two sales are announced, both by Muller, Wilkins & Co., viz.: Pursuant to auction sale of the 11th inst., the lot on the west side of Madison-avenue, 20.4 feet north of Seventy-fourth-street; and supreme Court sale of four-story and basement brown-stone house and lot, situate on the north side of West Fifty-eighth-street, 16.6 feet west of Lexington-avenue; lot 16.6 by 100.5.

Exchange Sales, Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1872.

NEW-YORK.

By Muller, Wilkins & Co.

3 three-story and basement Nova Scotia stone-front h. and l., Madison-av., s. a., 19.11 ft. s. of 132d-st., lots each 20x80, houses partly completed, $11,050 each $33,000
1 three-story and basement Nova Scotia stone-front h. and l., Madison-av., s. a., 39.11 ft. s. of 132d-st., adjoining above, lot 20x80, house partly finished 12,000
3 three-story and basement Nova Scotia stone-front h. and l., Madison-av., w. s., 19.11 ft. n. of 132d-st., lots each 20x80, houses partly finished, $11,000 each 33,000
1 three-story and basement Nova Scotia stone-front h. and l., Madison-av., w. s., 19.11 ft. s. of 133d-st., lot 20x80, house finished 13,450
3 three-story and basement brown-stone front h. and l., Madison-av., w. s., 39.11 ft. s. of 133d-st., adjoining above, lot same size, house finished 13,000

By Joseph McOwen.

1 four-story, basement and sub-cellar h. & l. & h. and l., East 68th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 4th-av., lot 16x100.5 ..... $46,100

By James M. Miller.

1 five-story h. e. front store and lofts, leasehold, No. 60 Leonard-st., s. a., between Church-st. and West Broadway, lot 24.4x100, building covers same; lease for 20 years from 1853, with covenant for renewal at similar time, ground rent $2,000 per annum $16,000

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

NEW-YORK.

Tuesday, Dec. 10.

Broome-st., s. e. corner Mott-st., 71.2x100.1x70.8x100.6, n. and l. $84,000
Rutherford-place and East-st., s. w. corner, 78.7x102.8, h. and l. 22,500
Dyckman homestead map No. 713, Kings Bridge road, s. w. corner Hawthorne-st., 25x46; Emerson-st., east side, lot 100x100, 1 block from Fordham-av. and 211th-st., runs 31.10 to Sherman-av. N. n. w. 50.6; n. e. 50.6 to 211th-st. X c. 82; s. w. on Sherman-av. 74.3; 106th-av., s. w. 5.; 30.2 ft. n. of Lemon-st., 100 ft. n. e. of 106th-av., and 208th-st., s. e. corner, 99.11x100 18,000
Spring-st., s. s., 40 ft. w. of Greenwich-st., 20x44.4, h. and l. ..... Nom.
27th-st., n. s., 318.4 ft. w. of 4th-av., 24.8x98.4, h. and l. 40,000
43d-st., s. s., Nos. 326, 328, 330, 300 ft. e. of 2d-av., 50x100.5 49,200
26th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of Lexington-av., 25x98.9 15,000
65th-st., n. s., 90 ft. w. of Lexington-av., 20x100.5, h. and l. 20,000
81st-st., s. s., 225 ft. w. of 3d-av., 100x4 block, h. and l. 34,000
117th-st., s. s., 18.10 ft. e. of 4th-av., 18.10x94.11 5,850
1st-av. and 102d-st., s. e. corner, 75.11x100; 102d-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of 1st-av., 46x100.11 9,000
30th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 2d-av., 25x98.9, line between 66th and 67th sts., 20x98, H. and l. 30,000

TRENTON, DEC. 10.

Greenwich-st., No. 324, 5 7-12 years, 1869 ..... $8,000
Spring-st., No. 319, 3 years 1,500

CITY REAL ESTATE.

WEST 38TH-ST., NEAR 5TH-AV.—For sale, very reasonably, together with the new and expensive furniture, bronzes, &c., an elegant four-story, medium-sized, high-stoop, brown-stone house, well built and finished in the most modern style; handsomely decorated and fitted up; has every conceivable improvement, and is one of the most complete and attractive homes in the city. To found; location is the choicest part of Murray Hill; early possession can be had. For further particulars apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

A VERY DESIRABLE HOUSE, ONLY six doors west of 5th-av., in an unexceptionable street, north of and near 42d-st., a deep brown stone, high stoop, 21.6x86x100; painted throughout in first-rate order; price asked, $47,000; furniture can be purchased if desired.
GODDEN & CLARKE,
Broadway, corner of 17th-st.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS, FIVE-STORY, stone-front store, unusually wide and deep; situated on a prominent corner of Broadway, near Canal-st.; rent-roll about $30,000 per annum; price $400,000. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

A BROADWAY, CITY HALL PARK, Murray-st., large building; Broadway, near 27th-st., magnificent corner; Broadway, Splendid hotel, commanding position; prices reasonable. W. E. STEVENSON & SON, 11 Pine-st. and 226 5th-av.

FOR SALE ON 5TH AND PARK AVS.—No. 556 5th-av., decorated and furnished in the most elegant manner; No. 61 Park-av., now being decorated; price low, terms easy. Inquire of J. CAMPBELL, Pacific Bank.

ADJOINING 5TH-AV.—21ST, 22D, 27TH, 28TH, 34th, 41st, 42d, 48th, 53d, 54th, 57th and 62d sts., first-class houses at reduced prices. V. E. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st. and No. 226 5th-av.

AN INVESTMENT.—THE BEST IMPROVED corner on 2d-av., with the three adjoining lots if desired; terms easy; well rented. THOS. J. DUNKIN, No. 554 2d-av.

FOR SALE ON EASY TERMS—A COTTAGE, 100x102, with the improvements on 42d-st., West side. Apply to CHAMBERS & HANNA, No. 256 Hudson-st.

EIGHTH-AV., GRAND BOULEVARD, AND Esther-st. side lots for sale, in all the choice localities. T. G. & D. BROWN.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

Central N. J.

Land Improvement Co.

Have for sale on the line of the Central Railroad of New-Jersey, and Newark and New-York Railroad,

MANUFACTORY SITES,

Near and remote from the City; also large buildings heretofore used for that purpose.

Also,

Houses, Lots, Farms, &c.,

At all points on the line of the above roads.
Apply to
A. D. HOFF, or
ELSTON MARSH,
No. 119 Liberty-st.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY PROPERTY.—Owners proposing to offer their real estate for sale are respectfully informed that we give special attention to the above-named section. We invite the co-operation of purchasers and sellers. The sale of large plots a specialty.
F. G. & D. BROWN, No. 98 Broadway.
References by permission: Messrs. Brown, Brothers & Co., Wm. E. Dodge, Esq.

FOR SALE—JERSEY CITY, WITHIN eight minutes' walk of the ferry, a fine three-story brick house, nine rooms, perfect order, well situated in a first-class neighborhood, with or without furniture; price cheap; terms easy; immediate possession given if desired. For particulars inquire of D. W. VAIRCHRIN, No. 15 Nassau-st., New-York.

WATER FRONT FOR FACTORIES, ROPE WALKS, LUMBER YARDS, &c.—LOTS FOR SALE OR LEASE.—Blocks of lots on Newtown Creek, near East River, adjoining New-York and Brooklyn Cities; terms $50 to $1,000; access easy. Apply to R. H. SCHIEFFELIN, No. 15 East 26th-st.

ORANGE, N. J.—COUNTRY HOUSES, lands and village lots for sale; a great variety. Also, furnished and unfurnished houses to let for season or year, by WALTER E. SMITH, formerly Blackwell & Smith, Orange, corner Main and Cone sts.

FOUR ACRES NEAR MORRISANIA.—To lease, manufactories, or for a residence; this is the cheapest piece of ground in Westchester County; located where property is rapidly rising in value. G. W. DITCHETT, No. 2 New Chambers-st.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—FOR CITY, Brooklyn, or Williamsburg property, four complete and well-cultivated farms, all improved, good buildings, from $10,000 to $20,000 each.
O. H. PIERSON, No. 5 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—A GOOD HOUSE WITH NEW Barn and four acres; Mahaska; property clear of incumbrance.
RIKER, HESSE & CO., 5 Pine-st.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—A WELL and substantially built farm of a house, 2½ stories, 34x42x18; also, 102 in rear, 18x70, 10ft.; Fort Hamilton, Staten Island; three minutes' walk from three ferries; street all Macadamized; surroundings costly; no incumbrance. O. H. PIERSON, No. 5 Pine-st.

REAL ESTATE—AT AUCTION.

LODI PRINT WORKS—IN BANK.—R. RUFFOY.—Assignee's sale at public auction.—Pursuant to an order of the District Court of the United States for the District of New-Jersey, the undersigned will sell, at public auction, without reserve, to the highest bidder, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th day of November, 1872, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, at Lodi, Bergen County, N. J., the manufacturing property, known as "The Lodi Print Works," comprising all the real estate, fixtures, fixed machinery, water rights, &c., belonging to the Company, unless previously disposed of at private sale.

Terms may be known on application to the undersigned.
NATHAN HOBART,
Assignee in bankruptcy of the Lodi Print Works, No. 35 Leonard-st., New-York City.

The foregoing sale is adjourned by order of the Court, to Dec. 16, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the same place.
NATHAN HOBART,
Assignee Lodi Print Works.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF CHOICE LOTS on Madison-av., near the Central Park, Conservatory, and Lenox Library.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Dec. 12, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sale-room, No. 111 Broadway:

MADISON-AV.—Two lots, situate on the easterly side of Madison-av., commencing 203 feet north of 74th-st., being near the Central Park, Conservatory, and Lenox Library; each 25x100 feet; sixty per cent. may remain on bond and mortgage.

STORES, &C., TO LET.

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THE TIMES BUILDING.
SPLENDID OFFICES TO LET IN THE FIRE-PROOF TIMES BUILDING.
Apply at TIMES COUNTING-ROOM.

TO LET.
AN OLD-ESTABLISHED TEA-STORE, Nos. 26, 28, and 30 Vesey-st., corner of Church, now occupied by the United States Tea Company. Possession 1st February next. Apply to J. & J. W. MEEKS, No. 30 Vesey-st., Room No. 5.

TO LEASE FOR A TERM OF YEARS—THE stores, Nos. 47 and 49 Bronome-st., each six stories and basement, with all the latest improvements; also, the house, No. 722 5th-av., between 57th and 58th sts. Apply to JACOB WEEKS, No. 312 Bowery.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

UNFURNISHED.

TO RENT—IN 47TH-ST., BETWEEN 7TH and 8th ave., a three-story brick house, containing ten rooms, with the modern improvements; possession immediately; rent $1,000 per year.
J. SMITHER & CO.,
No. 266 West 234-st.

APARTMENTS.—FOR RENT, IN THE Stevens Building, 4th-av., Broadway, and 27th-st., apartments, single or en suite, suitable for large or small families and parties. Apply on the premises to HIRAM CRANSTON.

FURNISHED.

A FULLY-FURNISHED HOUSE IN 46th-st., near Park-av., will be rented for the Winter or longer. GRIFFITH & GLASS.
Broadway, corner of 17th-st.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED—BY A FAMILY OF FOUR adults, three or four furnished rooms for housekeeping. Address, stating terms, which must be low, J. B. C., Box No. 29 Times Up-town Office, No. 548 West 23d-st.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 11th day of December, A. D. 1872, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of JAMES DUE D. SAVIN, of New-York, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 165 Broadway, in the City of New-York, before Hamer Wilder Allen, Register, on the 26th day of December, A. D. 1872, at 10 o'clock M.
GEORGE H. SHARPE,
United States Marshal, as Messenger, Southern District of New-York.

IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WILLIAM H. GRANBY, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court, by William H. Granby, in said district, duly declared a bankrupt under the act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts, and other claims provable under said act, and that the 24th day of December, 1872, at 12 o'clock M., at the office of John Fitch, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, No. 44 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, the 11th day of November, 1872. GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN BANKRUPTCY.—IN THE DISTRICT Court of the United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of LEWIS A. CARMER, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed in said Court by Lewis A. Carmer, in said District, duly declared a bankrupt, under the Act of Congress of March 2, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 7th day of January, 1873, at 12 o'clock, M., at the office of John Fitch, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, No. 44 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, is assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons in interest, may attend, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.—Dated New-York, on the 9th day of December, 1872. GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of FREDERICK TRUMPLER, a bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Southern District of New-York, ss.—At the City of New-York, the 30th day of November.—To whom it may concern: The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of Frederick Trumpler, of Brooklyn, in the County of Kings and State of New-York, who has carried on business for the six months next preceding the date hereof, and has filed a petition within said district, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon his own petition by the District Court of said district. JOHN H. PLATT,
d4-1awSwTh* Assignee of F. Trumpler.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of THE PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, bankrupt.—In Bankruptcy.—Notice is hereby given that a second and third general meeting of the creditors of the above-named bankrupt will be held at the office of John Fitch, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, at No. 44 Wall-street, in the City of New-York, on the 26th day of December, A. D. 1872, at 2 o'clock P. M. and 3 o'clock P. M., respectively, when and where the seventh and twenty-eighth sections of the Bankrupt act of March 2, 1867. That I have filed my final accounts as Assignee of said estate, and at the time and place above mentioned I shall apply to said Court for the settlement of my said accounts, and for a discharge from all liability as assignee of said estate, in accordance with the provisions of the twenty-eighth section of said act.
GUSTAVUS A. BRETT, Assignee.
d12-1awSwTh* No. 42 South-street, New-York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the District of New-Jersey.—In the matter of JOHN T. MORSE, bankrupt, in Bankruptcy.—To whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that a general meeting of the creditors of the above-named bankrupt will be held at New-Brunswick, in said district, on the 26 day of January, A. D. 1873, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the office of John C. Elmendorf, Esq., one of the Registers in Bankruptcy in said district, (No. 18 Albany-street,) for the purposes mentioned in the twenty-seventh section of the Bankrupt act of March 2, 1867.
E. N. MILLER, Assignee.

METALS.

THOMAS T. POPE & BRO.
METALS.
No. 292 PEARL-STREET,
Near Beekman-st., NEW-YORK.

SAVINGS BANKS.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 96 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on all sums. Interest commences from first January, April, July, and October. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WALTER W. CONKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUNION, Secretary.

CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.
ASSETS $6,324,546 24
Present rate of Interest Six per Cent.
Money deposited now will bear interest from January 1.
Interest computed from the first of each month and is paid or credited on balance on April on the last days of June and December of each year.
Bank No. 55 Bowery, south-west corner of Canal-st. Banking hours, EVERY DAY, from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAYS and SATURDAYS also from 6 to 8 P. M.
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E. A. QUINTARD, President.
SEYMOUR S. BUNCE, Secretary.

DEPOSIT TODAY in the SAVINGS BANK of the State of New-York, Chartered by the United States.
Send for Circular. No. 16 Bleecker-st.
ASSETS OVER $7,000,000.

FINANCIAL.

LOAN FOR $847,500
FOR THE
DEFICIENCY IN THE SINKING FUND,
UNDER
Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution.

The Commissioners of the Canal Fund, by virtue of the act entitled "An act to provide means to pay the Government," passed April 12, 1862, and in accordance with certain laws of private nature of the Legislature, hereby give notice that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Comptroller until the TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF DECEMBER INST., at six o'clock noon of that day, for a loan of

Eight Hundred and Forty-seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars,

for which transferable Certificates of Stock, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD, either registered or Coupon, at the option of the purchaser, will be issued in the name of the People of the State of New-York, on the credit of the Sinking Fund, under section three, article seven, of the Constitution, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first days of July and January in each year, and the principal reimbursable on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

It is to be understood that the Commissioners are to be at liberty to accept or reject any or all proposals, if the offers are not such as in their opinion are advantageous to the interest of the State.

The proposals may be for the whole, or any part of said loan, not less than $1,000.

All proposals to be sealed up and indorsed "Loan for the Sinking Fund," and inclosed in an envelope directed to the Auditor of the Canal Department, Albany, N. Y.

The money will be required to be paid in gold coin on the acceptance of the proposal, or by the 1st day of January next.

Payments to be made by depositing the same to the credit of the "Treasurer of the State of New-York," on account of the Canal Fund," in the bank of the Manhattan Company, New-York.

Interest on the loan will commence on the 1st day of January next, and be payable semi-annually on the 1st days of July and January, at the Bank of the Manhattan Company, in the City of New-York.

Dated Canal Department, Albany, Dec. 5, 1872.
WILLIAM B. WEAVER, Comptroller.
NELSON K. HOPKINS, Counsellor.
G. HILTON SCRIBNER, Secretary of State.
THOMAS RAINES, Treasurer.
FRANCIS C. BARLOW, Attorney-General.

MIDLAND FIRST MORTGAGE
7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,
ISSUED BY THE MONTCLAIR RAILWAY CO.
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We offer for sale the following:
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W. L. LANGNER, State Treasurer of Georgia.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 3, 1872.

NINTH NATIONAL BANK,
NEWARK, Dec. 12, 1872.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 457 Broad-way, on TUESDAY, Jan. 14, 1873, between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M.
T. HILL, Cashier.

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Collections made on any point at current rates, with immediate returns.

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PROPOSALS FOR BONDS.

Holders of bonds of the following Companies, bearing the traffic guarantee of the Great Western Railway Company, of Canada, are hereby informed that the undersigned have been appointed to receive traffic to the 31st October, 1872, by the said Great Western Railway Company, for the purchase of bonds at no more than par, for which proposals will be received by the undersigned, at the place of business, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, until the 15th day of January, 1873:

Detroit, Hillsdale and Indiana Railroad Com. Bonds $4,016 22
Detroit, Eel River and Illinois Railroad Com. Bonds 8,833 21
JOSEPH PRICE, Treasurer, &c.
DEC. 1, 1872. Great Western Railroad, of Canada.

HANNIBAL AND ST. JOSEPH RAILROAD COMPANY.

Sealed proposals addressed to Wm. H. Swift, at Boston, Mass., care of Messrs. Ward, Campbell & Co., No. 52 Wall-st., New-York, or to the undersigned trustees, care of R. S. Watson, No. 28 Sears Building, Boston, will be received until Friday, Dec. 13, 1872, at noon, for the sale to the Trustees of the Land Grant Company of the undersigned trustees, in accordance with the provisions of the indenture of Mortgage, dated April 1, 1868.

The bids will be opened in Boston on Saturday, Dec. 14, 1872, and the accepted bids declared.
WM. H. SWIFT,
SIDNEY BERNSTEIN, } Trustees,
NATHANIEL THAYER,
New-York, Dec. 3, 1872.

JOHN RUNRIGE & CO.,
BANKERS, NO. 5 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT ON MESSRS. DE ROTHSCHILD, PARIS AND ON THE CONSOLIDATED BANK, LONDON.

OFFICE OF THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, NO. 20 4TH-AV., NEW-YORK, Dec. 2, 1872.

THE BOOKS FOR THE TRANSFER of registered bonds will be closed on SATURDAY, Dec. 14, to enable the payment by check of the semi-annual interest due Jan. 1, 1873.

The payment will be made, as heretofore, by mailing to the address of each bondholder of record the checks of the Company, or coupon check for the amount of interest due.

All bondholders who have changed their address since July 1, 1872, are requested to send their present address to this office immediately.—Dated New-York, Dec. 2, 1872.

The books will be reopened on THURSDAY, Jan. 2, 1873.
A. H. BARNEY, Treasurer.

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE,
BROOKLYN, Dec. 10, 1872.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until 12 o'clock on FRIDAY, the 20th inst., for the purchase of the following Seven per Cent. Loans of the City of Brooklyn, viz.:
1. $310,000 Deficiency Bonds of 1872, due November, 1875.
2. $60,000 Sixth Seventh street Bonds, due in yearly installments of $4,000 from 1873 to 1882.
3. $40,000 Central Avenue Sewer Bonds, due in 1882.
Proposals to be indorsed "Proposals for Bonds," and state price offered in addition to accrued interest.
No proposals at less than par will be entertained.
F. A. SCHROEDER, Controller.

OFFICE OF THE MARYLAND COAL COMPANY, NO. 111 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 10, 1872.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this Company, held this day, the following-named gentlemen were elected for the ensuing year:

Alonzo Chamberlin,	Chester W. Chapin,
Lindley Patton,	George I. Kingsland,
Moses A. Stoddard,	M. J. Salomon,
Henry M. Alexander,	E. W. Whitney,
Benjamin W. Tilton,	Reuben Manley.

Francis Robinson,
W. M. BARNHILL, Secretary.

AN EXPERIENCED MEMBER OF the New-York Stock Exchange and New-York Gold Exchange, in good standing and credit, wishes a partner, active or special, with one or two hundred thousand dollars, to be employed in a regular banking and brokerage business in the City.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the American Coal Company of Allegany County, Maryland, for the election of Directors to serve the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 110 Broadway, on THURSDAY, Dec. 19, 1872. Polls will be open from 12 o'clock M. until 1 P. M. The transfer books will be closed from the evening of Saturday, the 14th inst., until the morning of the 27th inst.
DEC. 10. M. A. MYERS, Secretary.

DESTROYED IN MY SAFE IN THE Boston fire of the 9th and 10th of Nov., 1872, certificates of stock for fifty shares of the Silver Mining Company of Silver Islet, Lake Superior, standing in the name of A. W. Spencer. All persons are hereby called upon to show cause, at the office of the said Company, No. 10 Broadway, New-York City, why a new certificate should not be issued in lieu thereof.
A. W. SPENCER.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE NEW-YORK FERRESTONE COMPANY for the election of Directors for the ensuing year will be held at their office, No. 52 Broadway, Dec. 18, 1872.

The polls will be open from 2 until 4 P. M. The transfer books will be closed from the 1st to the 13th inst., inclusive.
CHARLES W. DARLING, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE WORLD MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 160 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 7, 1872.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECTORS of the Company will be held at the office of the Company on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 18, 1872, from 12 to 1 o'clock P. M. W. F. BUCKLEY, Secretary.

THE BANK OF NEW-YORK
NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1872.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-room on TUESDAY, Jan. 14, 1873. Polls open from 12 to 1 o'clock P. M. W. H. WELLS, Cashier.

LOST—CERTIFICATE OF DEBT OF RICHMOND, Fredericksburg, and Potomac Railroad Company, No. 322, dated Nov. 1, 1852, for $184 60, and bearing six per cent. interest.

Application has been made to said Company for renewal of the same. E. A. LEVINGSTON.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF CHICAGO AND NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, NO. 52 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 5, 1872.

A DIVIDEND OF THREE AND A HALF per cent. has been declared upon the Preferred and Common stocks of this Company, respectively, payable at this office on and after the 16th inst., to the stockholders of record, at the closing of the books, on the 14th inst.

The transfer books will close on the morning of the 16th inst.
C. R. MARVIN, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE, Grand Central Depot, NEW-YORK, Dec. 10, 1872.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this Company have this day declared a Dividend of Four per Cent. on the preferred and common stock, payable on the 20 day of January next, at this office. The transfer books will be closed at 3 P. M., Dec. 20, 1872, and opened at 10 A. M., Jan. 2, 1873.
C. VANDERBILT, Jr., Treasurer.

OFFICE OF CONSOLIDATION COAL COMPANY OF MARYLAND, NO. 11 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 4, 1872.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Dividend of Four per Cent. on the capital stock of the Company, payable on and after the 20th proximo. The transfer books will be closed from Jan. 10 to the 19th, both included.
H. C. HICKS, Treasurer.

INSURANCE.

OFFICE OF
THE MECHANICS' FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
OF BROOKLYN,
No. 217 Montague-st., Brooklyn, and No. 165 Broadway, New-York.
BROOKLYN, Nov. 11, 1872.

Cash Capital	$150,000
Assets	240,000

We have no agencies, and only $5,000 in the burnt district in Boston, and respectfully solicit the patronage of our friends and the public.

JOHN H. BAKER, President.
WALTER NICHOLS, Secretary.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT in accordance with a resolution of the Assistant Superintendent of the Insurance Department, dated Albany, Nov. 30, 1872, the stockholders of the New-York and Yonkers Fire Insurance Company are required to pay, at the office of the Company, No. 1 Pine-st., New-York City, on or before the 20th day of December, 1872, an assessment of forty per cent. on the capital stock of said Company.
Dated New-York, Nov. 30, 1872.
RICHARD L. FRANKLIN, President.
JOHN W. SIMONSON, Secretary.

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HOLIDAY GOODS. HOLIDAY GOODS.

HOWARD, SANGER & CO.,

Nos. 105 and 107 Chambers, and Nos. 89 and 91 Reade sts.,

OFFER TO DEALERS, in addition to their usual stock, a large and elegant assortment of

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Beg leave to offer
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A large and unsurpassed Stock of Toys, suitable for Holidays Presents, Specialities in Dolls, Dolls' Outfits and Tree Ornaments. Reductions made in prices to Churches and Sunday-schools.

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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAM-SHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT COBH HARBOR.
FROM NEW-YORK. FROM QUEENSTOWN.
Cuba, Wednesday, Dec. 11. China, Wednesday, Jan. 1.
Columbia, Wed'day, Dec. 18. Parthia, Wednesday, Jan. 8.
Abyssinia, Wed'y, Dec. 25. Java, Wednesday, Jan. 15.
And every following WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY from New-York.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
Cabin, $80, $100, and $120, gold, according to accommodation.
Tickets to Paris, $15, gold, additional.
Return tickets on favorable terms.
Steerage.....$30, currency
Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.
Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green.
For steerage passage at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

PASSENGERS PER STEAM-SHIP JAVA, sailing from the Cunard Wharf, foot of Grand-st., Jersey City, at 2 P.M., SATURDAY, Dec. 14, 1872. CHARLES G. FRANCKLYN, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

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FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL, CARRYING THE

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NEW AND FULL-POWERED STEAM-SHIPS, sailing from New-York on SATURDAYS, from Liverpool on THURSDAYS, calling at Cork Harbor each way.
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BALTIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 4, ——
ATLANTIC.....SATURDAY, Jan. 11, ——
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Passenger accommodations (for all classes) unrivalled, combining
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Surgeons and Stewardesses accompany these steamships.
Rates—Saloon, $80, gold; steerage, $30, currency. Those wishing to send for friends from the old country can now obtain steerage prepaid certificates, $30, currency.
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EXPRESS PASSENGER STEAMERS SAIL FROM NEW-YORK EVERY SATURDAY FROM PIER NO. 20 NORTH RIVER.
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From New-York. From Glasgow.
Saturday, Dec. 14.....INDIA.....Saturday, Jan. 4.
Saturday, Dec. 21.CALIFORNIA.Saturday, Jan. 11.
Saturday, Dec. 28...AUSTRALIA.Saturday, Jan. 18.
Saturday, Jan. 4....VICTORIA.....Saturday, Jan. 25
Saturday, Jan. 11...EUROPA.....Saturday, Feb. 1.
At noon, from Pier No. 20 North River, New-York.
Currency rates of passage to Liverpool, Glasgow, or Londonderry, by the steamships of 1872, and 8th consecutive tickets, $120; intermediate, $40; steerage, $30. Certificates at lowest rates can be bought here by those wishing to send for their friends.
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Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF MONTREAL.....Thursday, Dec. 12, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Saturday, Dec. 14, 2 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Dec. 21, 10 A. M.
CITY OF LIMERICK.....Thursday, Dec. 26, 2 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Dec. 28, 2 P. M.
and each successive SATURDAY and THURSDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
Payable in Gold. Payable in Currency.
First cabin.....$75 Steerage.....$28
To London.....$80 To London.....$30
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Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Sweden, Norway and Denmark, at reduced rates.
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WM. M. GARRISON, Agent,
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MONTGOMERY, Capt. FAIRCLOTH, SATURDAY, Dec. 14, from Pier No. 15 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 15 West-st.
SAN JACINTO, Capt. BERARD, SATURDAY, Dec. 14, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. M. GARRISON, Agent,
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FORTNIGHTLY TO LONDON DIRECT.
From Piers Nos. 40 and 41 North River.

TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
ITALY, WEBSTER.....Thursday, Dec. 12, at 1 P. M.
SPAIN, GRACE.....Wed'day, Dec. 18, at 7½ A. M.
CANADA, WEBSTER.....Wed'day, Dec. 25, at 1 P. M.
GREECE, THOMAS.....Wed'day, Jan. 1, at 7½ A. M.
TO LONDON DIRECT.
THE QUEEN, ANDERS.Saturday, Dec. 14, at 2 P. M.
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NOTICE.—WILLIAM BARMORE, WHO worked as a farm-hand for Winfield McKee, Erie County, Penn., and of late in the employ of the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Company, was accidentally killed Nov. 13, 1872. His relatives or friends can have information as to the disposition of his body, or effects, by applying to J. W. REYNOLDS, Superintendent Western Division Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, Erie, Penn.

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New-York, Dec. 9, 1872.

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JOHN B. GOUGH.

Subject—LONDON. (Being his three lectures on London combined.)
There will be no lecture Friday next.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, Col. JOHN HAY.
FRIDAY EVENING, Dec. 27, Prof. J. E. MURDOCH.
FRIDAY EVENING, Jan. 3, Jas. T. FIELDS.

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(Commencing Monday, Dec. 9, 1872.)
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TRAINS LEAVE NEW-YORK.
For New-Haven, 7:00, 8:00 (Ex.), 9:00, 10:00 A. M.; 12:00 (Ex.), 3:00 (Ex.), 3:30, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30 (Ex.) and 9:10 (Ex.) P. M.
For Bridgeport, 7:00, 8:00 (Ex.), 9:00, 11:00 A. M.; 12:00 (Ex.), 1:00 (Ex.), 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 5:30 (Ex.) and 9:10 (Ex

THE HOTEL DISASTER.

Additional Details of the Shocking Calamity.

The Fire Marshal Investigating the Cause of the Fire.

Statements of Employes at the Hotel—Recognizing the Dead Bodies at the Morgue—Sad Scenes.

The awful calamity at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, which occurred yesterday morning, when eleven of the female domestics lost their lives, naturally formed the leading topic of discussion in this City. A feeling of horror was universally expressed, and large crowds of people surrounded the hotel during the entire day, who were in hopes of being able to visit the scene of the fire in the upper stories of the building. The Police in charge of the doors refused to admit any one not having business in the house. Similar crowds visited the Morgue and viewed the bodies of the victims, as they were exposed for the purpose of identification. The scenes were very sad in their character. Full details of the events transpiring yesterday are herewith presented.

INCIDENTS OF THE FIRE.

There was but little evidence of the fire outside the hotel yesterday. The walls on Twenty-third-street were slightly discolored near the roof, and icicles hung from the window-sills. An immense crowd of people were gathered around the building, peering into the doors and windows, and curiously examining everything cast out on the sidewalk.

A very large number of the guests of the hotel removed to other quarters during the day, and strangers coming into the City were recommended by the clerks to go to other hotels until the damages could be repaired. There was much discussion concerning the cause of the fire, but no decisive opinion was arrived at by those who ought to be best informed.

The loss of life resulting from it awakened a universal sentiment of horror. Guests of the house and hundreds of people who gained admission to the hotel, visited the burnt wing of the house and examined the well-hole where the staircase and dumb-waiter, or elevator, now almost entirely destroyed, once ran up from the laundry in the basement to the servants' cock-loft on the roof. The handsomely-frescoed ceilings were damp and falling in many places on the lower floors; carpets, curtains, and bedding were greatly damaged. Many of the guests who had their rooms in the burnt wing of the house had their baggage much injured, and a number of ladies were heavy losers.

One lady just convalescing, after a long illness, was very calm in the presence of danger, and by her example quieted the fears of many of her neighbors, who removed much of their baggage out of the reach of the fire and the damaging effects of water.

On the roof were lying heaps of charred mattresses, bedding, and clothing. It was almost impossible to get an intelligent story from the servants, as they had hardly recovered from their great fright. They had all a tale of their night's danger to tell. They all awarded praise to the porters of the hotel, however, whom, they say, did more than any other agency to extinguish the fire and saving lives. These porters while the fire was raging attached the hose attached to the hotel fire apparatus across the roof, and directing a stream of water on the spot where the fire was raging, kept it up until the fire was under control. They also alarmed the sleeping girls who made their escape. An incident was narrated by several of the servants to reporters of two girls who had locked themselves in a room behind the two where the bodies were found. Awakened by the heat and smoke, they endeavored to unlock their door. The key was too hot for them to handle, and they were forced to use a cloth to turn it. When the door was opened the flames rushed in upon them, and they dashed along the passageway leading to a long corridor, and, burned and half-stifled with the fire and smoke, succeeded in making their escape.

Insurance patrolmen were watching the burned portion of the house all day, and insurance agents were inspecting the premises to form an estimate of the loss. One of these believed that the total damage to building and furniture could be covered with $75,000.

HOW THE FIRE OCCURRED.

Yesterday, Engineer Sullivan and Foreman Vettar, of Hook and Ladder No. 7, visited the Fifth-avenue Hotel to trace the course of the fire, and to determine, if possible, its origin. Ascending to the servants' attic, they followed the charred staircase to the third floor, where the fire originated. This staircase is steep and spiral, winding through the entire building from attic to basement, and through the aperture runs a small dumb waiter, used for conveying clothes and blankets from the laundry to the upper floors. On each of the seven landings were unguarded gas-lets, projecting about ten inches from the wall, and situated close to small closets in which the servants frequently kept their clothing. The proximity of the closets, which were often open, led the inspectors to believe that the fire was caused by the wind blowing one of the dresses against the gas-burner on the third floor, which seems probable, as it is certain that the flames originated on the third floor landing, and were drawn rapidly from story to story up the wooden staircase by the draught, until the resistance of the roof spread the fire along the attic passage-way.

The Fifth-avenue Hotel consists of six floors for guests, and a servants' attic extended along the roof of the main building, some distance from the coping. This attic is about thirty feet in width, and consists simply of a passageway with rooms on the inner side. The attic is built of wood and plaster, and is divided into two compartments, respectively for the male and female employes of the hotel, communication with the main building being by the spiral staircase already described; by a wide stairway on the Broadway side, and by a bridge over a "well hole" of the building, and west of the spiral staircase, leading from the attic to the roof of the main building. The windows of the rooms face a wide extent of roof, and are nearly level with the latter. Wire screens were placed on the outside of the glass, with the double purpose of preventing the servants throwing garbage on the roof, and for more effectually dividing the apartments of the male and female employes. The rooms occupied by the eleven who were burned were numbered respectively 211 and 213, nine sleeping in one room and two in the other. They were all floor-scrubbers, and generally got to work by 4 A. M. All the rooms westward of the spiral staircase had been completely gutted by the fire, and yesterday the hotel employes were busy clearing out the charred remnants of bedroom furniture. Eleven rooms, including the two in which the corpses were found, were burned, and the inmates escaped in some cases by opening their doors and making their way down by the staircase fronting on Broadway, or were assisted to the roof by the male employes, and thence reached the lower floors by means of an open window on the staircase landing. Others were rescued by the bravery of the Police and firemen, who rushed through the smoke in the passage, and, breaking open the doors of the rooms, bore the half-suffocated tenants to a place of safety.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOTEL.

A careful examination of the servants' quarters and the staircase from the laundry to the attic was made yesterday by a TIMES reporter. The hotel consists of three divisions, one on Broadway, one on Twenty-third-street, and one on Twenty-fourth-street, forming three sides of a square. The servants' rooms run around the entire top of the building, and are also in a square brick structure rising about two stories from the roof, surmounted by a small wooden cupola and flag-staff. The rooms number altogether about 125, and from two to half a dozen persons sleep in each. The roof of the rooms running around the front of the building is about four feet higher than the main roof. Windows to each room look out on this roof, and a corridor runs around between the front walls and the rooms, their doors opening upon it. There are three narrow staircases from this attic floor, two of them descending to the ground floor—that used by the girls to the laundry—and one from the cupola to the main halls on the floor below. The windows of the rooms are covered with wire frames, which are securely nailed to the wood-work, requiring considerable force to remove them. The proprietor of the hotel states that the occupants of the rooms are instructed how to force these frames from their fastenings, and that it is easily done. An effort was made by the reporter to do so, but it was found that without some tool or instrument of force it would be extremely difficult to accomplish. There is an area formed by the Twenty-third-street wing and an abutment of the house in the rear, upon which the windows of the stairway open, up to the roof.

The superintendent of the construction of the building states that fire-proof staircases are to be built. He estimates that the building can probably be put in repair again for $16,000. It was noticed during the examination on the roof that its west end with tarred gravel and cement, and that wooden cornices, instead of stone or iron, ran around the building.

THE FIRE-MARSHAL'S INVESTIGATION.

Fire-Marshal McSpedon, yesterday morning, proceeded to the hotel with a view of ascertaining the origin and cause of the fire. In company with the engineer of the hotel he made a thorough examination of the burned portion of the premises. From the appearance of the place, and the testimony obtained, the Fire-Marshal has arrived at the conclusion that the fire originated in a small bedroom on the landing of the servants' staircase, between the parlor floor and the floor above. This room was occupied by Mary Grove, one of the girls employed in the laundry, who was asleep when the fire broke out. She cannot give any intelligible account of the fire, or any information that may throw light on the cause. When the fire had gained possession of the stairway it spread rapidly to the rooms occupied by the girls, and cut off all hope of escape by the ordinary means.

Subsequently a formal investigation was held by the Fire-Marshal, at his office, and the following testimony was taken:

William Boston, engineer of the hotel, testified as follows: I was not in the hotel when the fire was discovered; I was at my home, No. 128 Lexington-avenue; I was sent for, and came immediately to the hotel; the flames were coming up through the hallway at the time; there was a regular trained fire-brigade of the servants at the hotel; as to facilities for putting out any fire, we have three rising mains to the top of the hotel; we have hose on each floor, generally about fifty feet in length, but on some floors we have two hundred feet; the hotel fire brigade had the hose one when I got to the building, and were using them in the stairway and along the main hallway; they had two lines of hose on the roof and several in the hallways; I think the fire originated in the lift in room of the servants' stairway, between the second and third floors; the room I was used as a sleeping-room by one of the laundry girls; there is a door on every landing on the servants' stairway, which opens out into the main hallway; Mary Grove occupied the room where it is my opinion the fire broke out; she says that she woke up, saw a light in the window, and jumping out of bed, saw that the room and the stairways were on fire; she ran out into the stairway, forced open the door leading into the main hallway, and escaped; she has a few slight burns on her face and neck; a steam-pipe from the boiler passes through this room as one moves it; the pipe carries heat to the servants' attic rooms on the top floor; the fire does not appear to have started in the vicinity of this pipe; the fire seems to have been carried up the elevator and stairway; the attic, where the servants' rooms were located, the ceilings of these rooms vary in height from six to eight feet, according to the elevation of the roof, and there are windows about three feet from the floor, which look out on the lower elevation of the roof, and are about on a level with it; these windows are covered on the outside with wire screens, which could easily be removed; I have seen the girls sitting in this way; on the floor below where the girls were is an iron bridge extending from this wing to the centre portion of the building; this bridge has a railing, and a board flooring; there were probably about fifty girls who slept in the attic in this wing; the girls are all required to be in the house by ten o'clock; the room where the bodies were found was used for the sewing girls; when they go to bed pretty early, as they have to get up at about half-past three A. M.; I think the fire had reached the attic at the time I got to the hotel; the firemen were there when I arrived; I noticed one engine at work; the fire brigade of the house is composed of the firemen, porters, and engineers, and is under my control to a certain extent; the facilities for extinguishing fires are good; I am of the opinion that the fire originated in room No. 213, on the landing between the parlor floor and the floor above, and which room adjoins the servants' staircase, extending from the basement to top of the house; there is also a passage-way connecting this room with the main hall; a small hand elevator passes up in one corner of the room, and is separated by a board partition; the room is lighted by wire lath sash; there was a stationary gas-jet in the room, and the usual furniture of a servant's bedroom; everything in that room appears to have been consumed.

John Kay, also an employe of the hotel, testified: I am a plumber at the Fifth-avenue Hotel; was in my room when the alarm of fire was given; it was about eleven o'clock; my room is in the private attic on the front of the house; as I left my room I met the assistant foreman in the hall, and he told me the fire was in the girls' attic; I went upon the roof and found the girls screaming; went to their windows and tore off the wire screens, calling to them to come out; a number got out by themselves, and I took several out; there was no fire there, but a very dense smoke; I remained there as long as there was any one coming out, and then, with other employes of the hotel, we attached the hose and put a stream of water into the window of the attic; by the time the fire reached the attic before the firemen got there; as to the origin of the fire, I have no opinion; I agree with Mr. Bouton as to the point where it commenced; the fire was carried very rapidly up the stairway and elevator.

The investigation will be continued today, and all persons who escaped the fate of their companions will be examined.

STATEMENT OF MR. L. B. JEWELL.

Mr. Lyman B. Jewell, brother of Gov. Jewell, and a regular boarder at the hotel, was one of the first to discover the fire. His room is in the part of the building which was exposed to the fire, and hearing some one outside cry for the hose, he went out and immediately took the hose in the hall and began to play upon the fire. This was in the hall of the second story. At almost the same moment one of the proprietors of the hotel, Mr. C. W. Griswold, who occupies rooms above, was alarmed by loud knocks at his door, and at once concluding there was trouble, started out and rushed down to the office. He gave the alarm there before 11 o'clock.

Mr. Jewell says that he never saw a fire fought with greater promptness or energy. It was confined to the servants' staircase until it reached the roof. The hotel hose was just where it was wanted, and was in good order. But for this fact, and for the solidity with which the hotel is built, the fire might have become unmanageable before the engines arrived.

The suffocation of the servant girls must have been almost instantaneous.

STATEMENT OF ONE OF THE VICTIMS.

Mary Hervey, who was rescued by one of the fire-escapes, and now lies at Bellevue Hospital, having fallen through the escape—made the following statement:

I was preparing to go to bed, at about eleven o'clock last night, and the light was about to be extinguished, when I first heard the alarm of fire given; although I was very excited, I knocked at several doors where girls sleep, and tried every means to awaken them. I burst in two of the doors, but cannot say how many of the girls responded. I then endeavored to go down stairs, but the smoke and flames were so dense that I was compelled to go back to the attic, where I met two girls, named Bridget Curtis and Mary Tierney. We then attempted to burst one of the skylights, and got out on the roof, where we remained until rescued by means of a fire-escape. There are several of the girls whose appearance I know, but never heard their names. I am much very badly hurt, and am thankful for my miraculous escape.

AFTER THE FIRE.

The guests and employes have settled down to their usual quiet, and all appearance of excitement has vanished. The hall, as usual thronged with visitors and habitues, wears its accustomed appearance, and nothing is heard of the disaster of yesterday, unless in reply to some query from a hunter after the sensational. Police are stationed in various parts of the building—two at the entrance on the square, two at the foot of the stairs, and others scattered through the hall. No inspection of that part of the premises damaged is permitted. The entrance on Twenty-third-street is closed up, and a policeman is stationed inside. A number of persons, chiefly female domestics, were congregated around this door, gazing vacantly at the building, and offering speculations as to the origin of the disaster. A mass of ice covered the steps and sidewalks in front, indicating that the hose had been introduced into the building through this door. A quantity of paper, reduced to a mass of pulp, was imbedded in the ice, and particles of the same material were scattered about the sidewalk. Externally the building exhibits no trace of the fire.

LOSSES AND INSURANCES.

The losses of the proprietors of the hotel on furniture, carpets, fittings, &c., is roughly estimated at $75,000. They are insured in forty-seven City companies for $292,500, and in out-of-town companies $60,000, making a total of $352,500.

The building, which is owned by Amos R. Eno, is damaged to the extent of $25,000 or $30,000, and is insured for $545,000. The list of the companies having policies on the building could not be learned.

WHAT THE PROPRIETORS SAY.

Mr. Darling, one of the proprietors of the hotel, last evening stated that he thought the loss to the firm will be under $75,000, and that as that amount is covered by insurance, the proprietors will really lose nothing. The Boston fire will have had no effect upon the insurance companies in which they have insured, for the reason that in no one company have they insured for more than $5,000.

Not only does this hotel insure in every insurance company in this country, but there are companies in Europe in which they are interested.

There was a meeting of the insurance companies and the proprietors of the hotel held last evening, at which it was agreed that an inventory of the losses should be made out today.

SCENES AT THE MORGUE.

The bodies, ten in number, on being received at the Morgue on Tuesday night, were laid in rough deal coffins, and placed in one of the rear rooms. During the remainder of the night several persons called at the Morgue and Bellevue Hospital, clamoring for admittance on the ground that a relative might be among the dead. Warden Brennan positively refused to admit any one before daylight, and at an early hour they returned and renewed their demands. The condition of the remains was such as to render recognition almost impossible, yet, in order to avoid further trouble, it was decided to expose them to public view during the day. The blackened corpses were accordingly wrapped in quilts up to the breast, and, in the uncovered coffins, laid in a row in the back-yard, immediately opposite the lower gate on Twenty-sixth-street, with sufficient room on either side to allow the crowd to pass around. The appearance of the remains was hideous in the extreme. The flesh had been completely burned off the face and limbs, and on the trunk there was not sufficient to conceal the bones, which had been frightfully charred and blackened. At 3 P. M. the gate was thrown open, and the anxious crowd rushed in. The spectators passed to the left, and walked in single file around the coffins, passing out on the right side of the gate, where were stationed Warden Brennan and two policemen. The object of this was to afford facilities for recognition; but for every one individual that came in expectation or fear of recognizing some hapless relative, there were a hundred or more bent only on the gratification of curiosity. All day a throng moved up and down Twenty-sixth-street, and among the crowd were many apparently respectable men and women. They pushed and buffeted each other, laughing and talking gayly until getting in sight of the coffins, when their curiosity gave way to sickening dread, and many drew out of the line and hurried away, while the large majority, who went in immediately lost all their assumed gayety. Whenever a body was known to have been recognized, a rush would ensue, in the hope of a "scene," but in this the crowd were uniformly disappointed. The recognition was necessarily so gradual as to avoid any scene, and as soon as the body had been fully identified the quilt was drawn over the face and the lid placed on the coffin.

To the ordinary beholder the bodies, with three exceptions, appeared absolutely unrecognizable, and it is certain that in several cases the claimants acted only on impression. By P. F. McCabe, premanan of Engine No. 6, they were claimed, leaving six unidentified, the former being Lizzie Moran, Mary McCabe, Mary Donnelly, (or McDonald,) and Mary Devoy. Margaret Fagan, aged twenty-four, who was brought to the hospital alive, died at 7 o'clock.

AID FOR THE SERVANT GIRLS.

A movement was started yesterday to relieve the families of the girls burned to death, and to assist those girls who lost clothing or suffered otherwise by the fire. The proprietors, a number of guests of the hotel, and others, promised liberal contributions.

ROLL-CALL OF SERVANTS BY THE HOUSEKEEPER—ELEVEN MISSING.

Yesterday Mrs. Fisher, the housekeeper of the hotel, assembled the scrub-women in one of the rooms on the first floor, and eleven were missing, as follows: Delia Cummings, Mary Cordey, Margaret Connor, Mary McCabe, Lizzie Moran, Margaret Campbell, Hannah Ward, Kate Cushan, Mary Donnelly, Margaret Fagan, and Mary J. Heavey.

Up to the hour of midnight, but five of the burned bodies had been identified, and their remains will be removed this morning by friends and relatives.

Extensive Fire in Greene-Street.

At 7 o'clock last night a fire, caused by an overheated stove, broke out on the first floor of the two-story and attic building No. 8 Greene-street, the whole of which is occupied by Heyman & Cohenfeld, dealers in ostrich feathers. A large amount of this costly stock was in the store at the time, and the fire quickly destroyed feathers to the value of $27,000; insured for $150,000, in fifty different companies. The building, belonging to the Lorillard estate, was damaged $1,500; fully insured.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The first annual recention of the Gen. Catin Association took place last night at Irving Hall.

Messrs. Tiffany & Co. have commenced suit in the Marine Court against Thomas C. Fields for the recovery of $368 90.

Gen. and Mrs. Sherman and family have taken rooms at the Astor House, and will arrive in this City about Friday morning.

There are still no tidings of the missing steamer Scandavia, and the feeling is general in shipping circles that she is lost, with all on board.

Additional news from the Pacific Mail steamer Sacramento has not been received at the Company's office, but intelligence is expected today.

The ladies of the Central Presbyterian Church hold a festival this evening, in the lecture-room of the church, Fifty-sixth-street, near Broadway.

Prof. Etienne Lambert, No. 1,268 Broadway, commences his French class for ladies this morning. The vital principle of his system is oral practice.

It was announced, yesterday, that an extra story was to be added to the new Post-office building, to be used for the confinement of United States prisoners.

A meeting will be held at the Cooper Institute on Saturday evening, for the purpose of relieving the distress existing among the families of the "Commune" in Paris.

The installation of Rev. G. M. McCampbell as pastor of Spring-street Church, announced for this evening, will be held on next Thursday evening, Dec. 19, instead.

T. Yasio, Japanese Commissioner, arrived in this City yesterday, by the steamer Celtic, from London, and is engaged in transacting the Governmental business for which he was deputed.

At Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, Charles Simms, of No. 423 West Thirty-third-street, and William Johnson, No. 338 West-street, were held to answer for keeping policy-shops.

The number of letters sent from the Foreign Department in the New-York Post-office to foreign ports yesterday, was 71,701, exclusive of the closed mails from New-Zealand and Canada.

The St. James Hotel, on the corner of Broadway and Twenty-sixth-street, will, after December, 1873, be transformed into a huge paper warehouse, the building having been sold to a stock company for that purpose.

"Timothy Titcomb" (Dr. J. G. Holland) will deliver his lecture, "The Social Undertow," at the Eighteenth-street M. E. Church, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, this evening. An organ concert will precede the lecture.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, yesterday, the following prisoners were disposed of: Mathew Donovan, assault with intent to kill, one year in Penitentiary; Edward Steele, pocket-picking, two years in State Prison; George Kelly, burglary, two years and six months in State Prison.

Commissioner Van Nort, of the Department of Public Works, after having, in June last, reduced the fees for collection of assessments one half, has now entirely abolished such fees, to take effect from the 1st of January next, in lieu of which he will establish an estimated compensation for the Collector of Assessments.

Yesterday afternoon a team attached to a coach on Fifth-avenue ran away near Fifty-second-street. The occupant, a Mrs. Baldwin, of No. 52 West Fifty-fourth-street, was thrown out and badly bruised, and the driver, John Gilmore, fell to the pavement, and received fatal injuries. The coach was entirely demolished.

The steam-ship Baltic, of the White Star line, arrived at Queenstown on Monday last, having made the voyage in seven days, twenty-three hours, and twenty-two minutes. The Adriatic, of the same line, made the fastest passage on record from Europe to this port, making the voyage in seven days, eighteen hours, fifty-five minutes.

Last evening the body of an unknown man was found on the old Hudson River Railroad track at the foot of One Hundred and Ninth-street, and from its condition it is supposed that the man was run over by the 5:10 P. M. train for Yonkers from the old Thirteenth-street Depot. The deceased was well dressed, and apparently thirty-five years old.

Controller Green has decided to pay the salaries of the Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen for the month of November. The Controller is suffering from a neuralgic affection and was too unwell to come down town yesterday. The checks were accordingly sent to his house for signature, and will be returned to the Mayor for signature today.

Patrick Donohue and Patrick Maroony got into a quarrel at their lodging-house, No. 431 East Thirteenth-street, last evening, and Maroony, seizing an ax, aimed several blows at Donohue, three of which took effect on the scalp and one on the right eye. The would-be murderer was arrested and locked up. Donohue's wounds are not likely to prove fatal.

A Polish emigrant, a peddler by occupation, came to Commissioner Osborn's suicide, yesterday, and made complaint that at a store in Chatham-street the proprietor purchased a considerable quantity of his wares and gave him in return a $20 bill on the "Confederate States of America." He did not discover the trick until some time afterward. The Commissioner directed the matter to the Mayor's office.

Owen Clark, of No. 540 West Thirty-sixth-street, the most notorious ruffian in the Twenty-sixth Ward, once tried on a charge of murder, and on Monday last held for trial on a charge of felonious assault, quarreled with Thomas Reynolds, of No. 504 Tenth-avenue, Tuesday night, and stabbed him several times in the face. He was again brought before Justice Dedwith, at Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, and held for trial in $1,000 bail.

The New-York Orthopedic Dispensary has commenced the erection of an edifice on Fifty-ninth-street, between Fourth and Lexington avenues. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy by the 1st of May next. It is to be of Philadelphia brick, trimmed with Dorchester stone, 25 feet front and 60 feet deep, and four stories high, with 48 feet extension 10 feet wide and one story high. The design of the dispensary is to furnish surgical treatment to the poor, free of charge, in cases of deformities, or joint diseases leading to deformities.

BROOKLYN.

A dispatch was received at the Central Police office yesterday noon, announcing the escape from jail at Riverhead, Suffolk County, Long Island, the night previous, of Gilbert Miller, aged twenty-eight years; James Osborne, aged twenty-four years, and Jeremiah Conn, aged twenty-four years.

The breach of promise case of Bertha Steinfeld vs. Hector Levy resulted, yesterday, in a disagreement of the jury.

It is rumored that Mr. E. F. Tracy has been removed from the United States District-Attorney's office, and that Mr. A. W. Tenney has been appointed in his place.

Yesterday a fire occurred in the two-story brick building, No. 126 Flushing-avenue, owned by John Kelley, of New-York, and occupied by several families. The fire originated in Mieses Remick & Grimsardi's fancy-goods store, on the first floor. Loss, $1,400; insured. The flames extended to No. 124, owned by Edwards and James Wheelan. Damage, $600. Insured.

LONG ISLAND.

The Queens County Board of Supervisors voted on Tuesday to increase the salary of the County Judge to $2,500; the salary of the District-Attorney was also increased to $2,500, and that of the Surrogate to $2,500.

Mr. James McGee, of Riverhead, on Tuesday afternoon, started with his wife and infant child to visit a friend at Aquebogue. Mrs. McGee carefully wrapped the infant in a shawl, and upon arriving at their destination it was found to have died from suffocation.

On Tuesday evening the premises of Mr. A. D. Miner, at Woodhaven, were entered by thieves, who succeeded in getting away with a valuable horse and carriage, besides a lot of harness, blankets, and whips, in all valued at $1,300. On the same night the stable of E. O. Ferris, Esq., on the Jamaica Turnpike, between Jamaica and Richmond Hill, was robbed of three sets of harness.

STATEN ISLAND.

At the last session of the Board of Supervisors a resolution was passed requesting the Controller to direct the District-Attorney of the county to prosecute the Assessors of the town of Middletown for neglect of duty.

NEW-JERSEY.

The New-Jersey Railroad suit was continued yesterday in the Court of Chancery, at Trenton. Attorney-General Gilchrist, in his opening address for the defendants, Senator Stockton spoke for the complainants. Mr. Shipman, for the defendants, followed Mr. Stockton, and at the conclusion of his address the Court adjourned until this morning.

Michael Henny, Walter Komens, and Wm. Smith, of the Town Committee of Union, and Patrick O'Connor, a contractor, were yesterday placed on trial, in the Hudson County Court of Quarter Sessions, charged with defrauding the township of Union of $1,800, the amount which O'Connor is alleged to have been paid over the amount named in his contract for work done. The case was not concluded.

Mayor O'Neill, of Jersey City, has vetoed the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, purchasing the lands under water at Communipaw for public docks, on the ground that the city has no authority to purchase under the charter, that no good title can be furnished under the special act of last Winter, and that the purchase would not be an advantageous one to the city.

The residences of Ebenezer Seymour, Lewis F. Smith, Abram Clark, and Hon. J. F. Ranxay, at Belleville, were entered by burglars and robbed of valuables during Monday night. Rev. M. Alexander H. Westman's house, in Woodside, was robbed of two sets of valuable furs and a number of silk dresses. Robberies have been so frequent in this locality lately that the citizens are talking of forming a vigilance committee.

The new Finance Committee of the Newark Common Council have conferred with the leading financial institutions, and have received assurances that assistance will be given them if they do. They propose to take such action as will insure prompt payment of the city's liabilities. Yesterday about $75,000 was paid out by the Treasurer. There are still $2,000,000 of assessments in arrears, to anticipate which temporary loan bonds will be issued.

A Greenwich-Street Mystery.

On Monday morning an officer of the Twenty-seventh Precinct discovered a man lying insensible on the sidewalk in Greenwich-street, and removed him to the Station-house, whence he was conveyed to the Park Hospital. The man appeared about sixty years of age, and wore a short gray beard and close-cut hair, and from the clothes which he had on when found, it is supposed that he was employed as a laborer in some brick-yard. At the hospital it was discovered that he was suffering from a fracture at the base of the skull, but it was impossible to determine whether the wound had been caused by a fall or by violence. His pockets were emptied of everything that they might have contained, although it is unlikely that a man of his appearance would have been murdered, with an idea of plunder, by professional highwaymen. He did not regain consciousness, and died yesterday at the hospital. The body will be interred in Potter's Field, and Coroner Keenan will hold an inquest.

Rooting the Gamins.

The Fourth and Sixth Wards embrace the principal sphere of operations for the *gamins* of New-York. With a view to benefit them, the Children's Aid Society has opened a school at the corner of Water and Dover streets, with a fair promise of success. Control has been secured over these seemingly unmanageable boys and girls, and the Society, to-day, gave them a turkey dinner and invited friends to witness the rough material out of which many good citizens are made. Seventy boys and girls were in the room. None of the children were over fourteen years of age. Some of the boys eat their dinner with blacking-boxes on their backs, and dressed in the most ludicrous costumes. Knives and forks were, in many cases, dispensed with in favor of the fingers. Mr. Brace was present and assisted the smaller ones, and, after dinner, made an address which greatly interested the boys. The festival was a great success. Misses Chanler and Edwards, the teachers, received much praise for their efforts.

Legal Appointments.

Mr. B. K. Phelps, District-Attorney elect, has appointed as his assistants Mr. Horace Russell, of the firm of Waring & Russell, D. G. Rolline, Jr., and George W. Lyon. Mr. Russell is well and favorably known at the Bar, and a rising lawyer of much promise, and at one time filled the office of Assistant District-Attorney of St. Lawrence County.

Court Calendars—This Day.

COURT OF APPEALS—ALBANY, Dec. 11.—The following is the Court of Appeals Day Calendar for Dec. 11: Nos. 383, 385, 415, 416, 504, 506, 507, 508, and seven other cases against the New-York Central and Hudson River Railroad.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—Part I.—Held by Van Brunt, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.—Parker vs. The Baltic Fire Insurance Company; 945, Schmidt vs. Smith; 2309, Hinkel vs. Drucker; 2077, The Russell Manufacturing Company vs. The New-Haven Steam-boat Company; 1917, Hall vs. Potter et al. vs. Potter et al.; 1918, Hall vs. Potter; 1979a, Noyes vs. Forty et al.; 2260, Freund et al. vs. The Security Insurance Company; 2263, Promestine vs. Isaacs; 2267, Parker vs. Towsley et al.; 2268, Murray vs. Foster et al.; 2272, Webb vs. Sager et al.; 2273, Sherry vs. Herman et al.; 2282, Holladay vs. Williams; 2285, Watson vs. Brennan; 2289, Tracey vs. The Mayor, &c.; 2292, Lathrop vs. Bunce; 2294, Doherty vs. Burns; 2296, Wilson vs. Seelman; 2401, Estes vs. The Commonwealth Co-operative Company.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—Part II.—Held by Brady, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Adjourned.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Held by Barrett, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 12 M.—74, The People &c., Bell vs. Palmer; 79, The People, &c., Guiden vs. The Board of Apportionment; 80, Same vs. Same; 81, Mullaly vs. Same; 85, Gross vs. same; 86, Same vs. Same; 101, Fink vs. Watson et al.; 106, Marzine vs. Lewenstein; 107, Wrendland vs. Tracy; 127, Hallgarten vs. Oaksmith; 128, Same vs. Same; 137, Lowenstein vs. The Board of Assessors; 138, Margin vs. The Same; 139, Marsh vs. Kamask; 141, Purdy, vs. Metzger et al.; 142, In the matter, &c., of John Fyne; 144, Dilney vs. Kennedy et al.; 145, King vs. King; 146, In the matter, &c., Mary Whalenay et al.; 154, American Bible Society vs. Stack, et al.; 177, In the matter, &c., of the Trustees of the Wm. Wm. Gray; 178, Same vs. Same; 179, Same vs. Same; 180, Same vs. Same; 181, Raynor vs. Seimes et al.; 183, Pickot vs. Keeler, Call 161, McCullen vs. Angar et al.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Held by Freedman, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—1821, Wood vs. The Panama Railroad Company; 1845, Maiz vs. Tallman; 1877, Newbold vs. Joseph; 1895, Lorch vs. Seeker; 1897, Madden vs. Winstorotoro; 800, Stover vs. Porter; 891, Reinemann et al. vs. Buckman; 1109, Hoey vs. Steyre et al.; 1165, Miller vs. Holman; 1178, Dupis vs. McCullum; 1242, Gless vs. Moshoot; 1315, Thompson et al. vs. Reimer; 1325, Friedman vs. Dewer.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part II.—Held by Van Vorst, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—976, Larned vs. Mead; 1476, Ogen vs. The Associate Mutual Life Insurance Company; 792, Beach vs. O'Brien, Sheriff, &c.; 1000, Stories et al. vs. Gillis et al.; 1100, Lane vs. Sellar; 1128, Taylor vs. Hoey; 1164, Gross vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.; 240, Lawson vs. Chalmers; 1326, Gessel vs. Schneider; 1140, Rosenthal vs. Wolf; 1336, McDonald vs. The Harlem Reversible Sewing-machine Company; 1344, Gillespie vs. The New-York and Harlem Railroad Company; 131, Davies et al. vs. Heilpin et al.; 1518, Pelton vs. Bulkley; 1524, Child vs. The National Defensive Commercial Agency.

COMMON PLEAS—GENERAL TERM—Held by C. P. Daly, Ch. J., Hilsman and Loew, J. J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—No. ——, vs. ——; 96, Murray vs. White et al.; 14, Kintzinger vs. Joel Company; 15, Wasch vs. Bange vs. The Blue Ridge Railroad Company; 18, Stewart et al. vs. Berge; 31, Wasser et al. vs. Heathcote et al.; 44, Hardenburg vs. Cockcroft; 61, Rosenthal vs. The Mayor, &c.; 70, Thompson vs. Lippincott; 72, Gordon vs. Gregory; 75, Cowles vs. Kingsland; 94, Campbell vs. Kearney et al.; 102, Landsberg vs. Dusmore; 108, Funk vs. Driggs; 110, Van Liew vs. Neville Manufacturing Company; 112, Tilt vs. Wasch; 115, Silk Manufacturing Company vs. ——; 120, Hazzard vs. Waterman; 122, Lewis vs. Chrystallan; 154, Sherman vs. Darling; 158, Henning vs. Adler et al.; 159, Ferguson vs. Arnold.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Held by J. F. Daly, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.—1634, Dowell vs. Singer et al.; 1849, Kling vs. Disch; (motion;) 1854, Tannenbaum vs. Nigel; 1883, Bernhard vs. Kapp; 2174, Parry vs. Kelly, Sheriff; 1888, Miller vs. Holman; 982, Perrine vs. Lehman; 1973, Sheehan vs. Edger; 1852, Jachems vs. Tallman; 1707, Hill vs. Di ling; 1884, 96th ward vs. Brennan, Sheriff; 1924, Common vs. New-York Sewer Manufacturing Company; 1435, Keech vs. Johnson; 11, Chapman vs. Douglass; 1515, Dearing vs. Anderson; 1542, Michaelis, an infant, vs. Sixth-avenue Railroad Company; 1555, First National Bank of Lyons vs. Ocean National Bank of New-York City; 1558, Wheeler vs. Queen Nelson; 1560, Wright vs. City Fire Ins. Co.; 1570, Pringle vs. O'Rourke vs. Hale; (by order;) 1780, Meier vs. Hennessy; 132, Mackrianne vs. Solomon; 11214, Whitney vs. Weldon; 440, Riverhead vs. O'Brien, Sheriff, &c.; 1000, Hoey vs. Steyre et al.; 1165, Carroll vs. Third-avenue Railroad Company; 1178, Rodmaker vs. Gass; 1402, Hadden vs. Shawler.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part I.—Held by Sheard, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M.—1114, Norwood vs. Gheely; 930, Lamb vs. Abels; 795, Boden vs. Holland; 792, Scantigue vs. Stack; 752, Mawe vs. Stack; 772, Barth vs. Stack; 734, Fleming vs. Stack; 884, Hoffmeister vs. Delaplaine; 778, Dodd vs. Stern.; 1412, Butler vs. Hunt; 1413, Same vs. Same; 1030, Swigert vs. Greenwood; 1088, Fredenberg vs. Allen; 1289, Muller vs. Shields.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part II.—Held by Joachimsen, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M.—799, White vs. Thiem; 1109, Goodkind vs. Macauley; 1101, Murphy vs. Lepodin; 1097, Lockitie vs. Isaacs; 1087, Morgan vs. Brine; 62, Leichtenstein vs. Bach; 808, Hochrier vs. McGearan; —, Brownell vs. Pelton; —, Mobie vs. Sinderes; 938, Hackett vs. Lawler; 868, Butterfield vs. Weiner; 1147, McMahan vs. Spelley; 1003, Cheasley vs. Wood; 1118, Greenbaum vs. Silber; 1201, Stile vs. Kennedy.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM—Part III.—Held by Curtis, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 10 A. M.—948, Frost vs. Knox; 1000, Hoffmeister vs. Hoffmann; 904, Adolp vs. Hoffman; 995, Miller vs. Hough; 996, Walter vs. Sherwood; 997, Geoin vs. Moser; 999, Hens vs. Rowne; 998, Martin vs. Commercial National Insurance Company; 1000, Kiog vs. The Central Park, North and East River Railroad Company; 1001, Decker vs. Tupper; 1002, Marley vs. Schenck; 1003, Allen vs. Barrow; 1004, Cameron vs. O'Brien; 1005, DeFoy vs. Bangs; 1006, Ballard vs. Roberts.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.—Held by Hackett, Recorder.—1, John Herrick, Thomas Scully, and James Dunne, grand larceny; 2, Michael Sullivan, assault and battery; 3, William Davis, burglary; 4, Jacob Walther, burglary; 5, James McGuire, Wm. Lynn, and Henry Kavlick, grand larceny; 6, John H. Young, grand larceny; 7, Thomas Mulhead, grand larceny; 8, Wm. H. Fells, grand larceny; 9, Patrick Donohue, grand larceny; 10, Charles Schmidt, grand larceny; 11, Michael Sullivan, grand larceny; 12, James Dunne and Henry F. Wagler, grand larceny; 13, assault and battery; 14, James Hanrahan, assault and battery; 15, John Gill, receiving